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Dear Readers:

Thank you for your concern regarding child abuse and neglect in Missouri. This report numerically represents all child abuse/neglect investigations completed in Missouri in 1995. In addition, there is a description of Family Intervention Determinations, a process which limits intrusion in the family while offering appropriate services. This demonstration project was called for in 1994 legislation.

As we review the following statistics, we are aware of the many families who need support and whose children represent the future. The Division of Family Services is devoted to ensuring the safety of the children, while keeping as many families together as possible. When children must be removed from their home, we are committed to providing them the best possible care and ensuring a permanent home.

While we know it is sometimes a difficult job, we commend the efforts of all who work with children and families. High quality support for the children in Missouri is a duty we share with many other committed citizens in the state.

Sincerely,

*Carmen K. Schulze*  
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Director

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# **Introduction**

## **Summary Statistics**

This report compiles data collected by the Missouri Department of Social Services (DSS), Division of Family Services (DFS) in the course of Child Abuse and/or Neglect (CA/N) investigations/assessments.

### **Reports**

- During 1995 there were 52,964 reports of child abuse/neglect, involving 85,941 children.

Total Number of Reports	52,964
Total Number of Reported Children	85,941

### **Probable Cause**

- There were 11,027 probable cause incidents, involving 17,484 children. This represents approximately twenty-one percent (21%) of all reports.

Total Number of Probable Cause Reports	11,027
Total Number of Probable Cause Children	17,484

### **Child Protection System (SB 595)**

- In five demonstration areas across the state, a total of 3,711 reports were assigned to Family Intervention Determinations (FID) in accordance with Senate Bill 595, which was signed into law in 1994. These reports involved 6,166 children.

Total Number of FID Incidents	3,711
Total Number of FID Children	6,166

Note: All counts of children are duplicated because a child may be reported more than once during the year.

# **Introduction**

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## **Definitions**

### **Legal:**

The Missouri Child Abuse Law, Section 210.110 RSMo defines:

**Abuse** as any physical injury, sexual abuse, or emotional abuse inflicted on a child other than by accidental means by those responsible for the child's care, custody, and control except that discipline including spanking, administered in a reasonable manner shall not be construed to be abuse; and

**Neglect** as failure to provide, by those responsible for the care, custody, and control of the child, the proper or necessary support, education as required by law, nutrition or medical, surgical, or any other care necessary for the child's well-being.

**Care, custody and control** of the child, includes but is not limited to the parents or guardian of a child, other members of the child's household, or those exercising supervision over a child for any part of a twenty-four hour day. Those responsible for the care, custody and control shall also include any adult, who, based on their relationship to the parents of the child, members of the child's household or the family, has access to the child.

**Investigation** is the collection of physical and verbal evidence to determine if a child has been abused or neglected.

**Family assessment and services** is an approach which provides for a prompt assessment of a child who has been reported to the Division as a victim of abuse or neglect by a person responsible for that child's care, custody or control and of that child's family, including risk of abuse and neglect and, if necessary, the provision of community-based services to reduce the risk and support the family. This approach takes the place of the traditional investigation and applies only to the five areas participating in the Senate Bill 595 Child Protection System demonstration.

### **Operational:**

At the end of each child abuse/neglect investigation/assessment, the social worker reaches a conclusion. The following are operational definitions for investigative conclusions:

**Probable Cause:** A finding that abuse/neglect has occurred or is occurring as a result of the observation of visible signs, physical and/or credible verbal evidence provided to the Children's Services worker by the child, perpetrator or witnesses in accordance with the definitions of abuse/neglect. This also includes cases which are adjudicated by the courts.

**Unsubstantiated-Preventive Services Indicated:** A finding that insufficient visible signs, physical and/or credible evidence exist, but where the social worker determines that indicators are present which, if unresolved, could potentially contribute to child abuse/neglect.

**Unsubstantiated:** A finding that insufficient physical or credible verbal evidence exists and where few or no indicators are identified and the social worker has not identified a specific threat exists for the child.

# **Introduction**

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Operationally, a family assessment is referred to as a Family Intervention Determination . The following are definitions for FID conclusions:

**Services Needed:** The family is in need of services which may be provided by opening a Family-centered Services case or by a community resource or support system.

**Services Not Needed:** The family is not in need of services.

**Non-cooperative/Child Safe:** The family refuses to cooperate and the worker has been able to document that the child is safe and that there is not a serious risk of abuse/neglect.

For a small number of cases, the above definitions are not applicable. Other conclusions include **Unable to Locate, Inappropriate Report, Located Out of State** and **Home Schooling**.

## **Methodological:**

The following are technical definitions used in the computations of the statistics throughout this report:

**Reported incident:** An allegation of child abuse/neglect made to the hotline which meets the legal definitions for abuse/neglect and for care, custody, and control. A reported incident may involve more than one child and more than one alleged perpetrator.

**Incident conclusion:** The Children's Services worker assigns a conclusion to each child and to each alleged perpetrator involved in an incident. If at least one child is found probable cause, the incident is considered to be found probable cause.

**Incident category of abuse/neglect:** Up to four categories of abuse/neglect can be assigned to each probable cause child. Each incident may have up to six categories of abuse/neglect because each child may be found probable cause for different types of abuse/neglect. For incidents involving more than one child, each category of abuse/neglect is counted once if at least one child was found probable cause for that category.

**Reported child:** A child named in a reported incident of child abuse/neglect. A child may be reported more than one time during the year, and unless otherwise indicated, counts of children are duplicated in this report.

**Child conclusion:** The Children's Services worker assigns a conclusion to each child involved in an incident. Some children in the report may be found probable cause while others may be unsubstantiated.

**Child category of abuse/neglect:** Each probable cause child may be assigned up to four categories of abuse/neglect.

**Alleged perpetrator:** A person named as the perpetrator in a reported incident of child abuse/neglect. An alleged perpetrator may be involved in more than one incident during the year, and unless otherwise indicated, counts of alleged perpetrators are duplicated in this report.

**Alleged perpetrator conclusion:** The Children's Services worker assigns a conclusion to each alleged perpetrator involved in an incident. One perpetrator in a report may be found probable cause while another may be unsubstantiated.

## **Reports and Investigations**

### **Reports to Child Abuse/Neglect Hotline**

Over the past year, the Central Registry Unit (CRU) received 52,964 reports of child abuse/neglect, involving 85,941 children. The CRU is operated year-round on a 24 hours per day, seven days per week basis by 35 trained and experienced Children's Services workers. Missouri's toll-free number for reporting child abuse/neglect is **1-800-392-3738**.

When a call is received at the CRU information is analyzed to determine whether:

- the child is under age 18;
- the alleged perpetrator has care, custody and control of the child;
- the alleged abusive or neglectful treatment is having an adverse effect on the child; and,
- the report meets the definition of abuse/neglect described in state statutes.

Within moments of receiving a report, the information is forwarded electronically to one of the 114 county offices and the St. Louis City office for investigation. Investigations must be initiated within 24 hours or immediately when it is determined that the child is in imminent danger. An exception is when the only allegation is educational neglect. In this case, an investigation must be initiated within 72 hours. Social workers have 30 days to complete their investigations.

A call to the hotline is referred to as a report or reported incident of child abuse/neglect. A report may involve from one to several children. From 1991 through 1993 both reported incidents and children increased steadily; however, between 1993 and 1995 there was little change in the number of reported incidents and children.

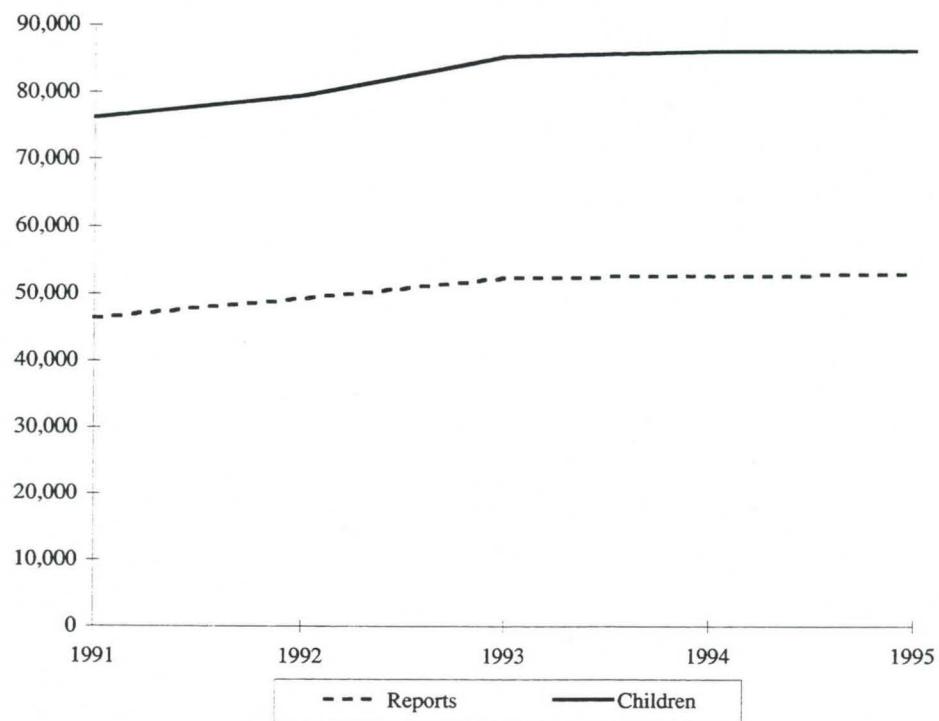
**Incidents and Children Reported to the Child Abuse/Neglect Hotline  
and Annual Percent Change**

<b><u>Year</u></b>	<b>Total</b> <b><u>Reports</u></b>	<b>Annual</b> <b><u>Change</u></b>	<b>Total</b> <b><u>Children</u></b>	<b>Annual</b> <b><u>Change</u></b>
1991	46,336		76,256	
1992	49,247	6.3%	79,487	4.2%
1993	52,266	6.1%	85,328	7.3%
1994	52,732	0.9%	85,975	0.8%
1995	52,964	0.4%	85,941	0.0%

Note: All counts of children are duplicated because a child may be reported more than once during the year.

## **Reports and Investigations**

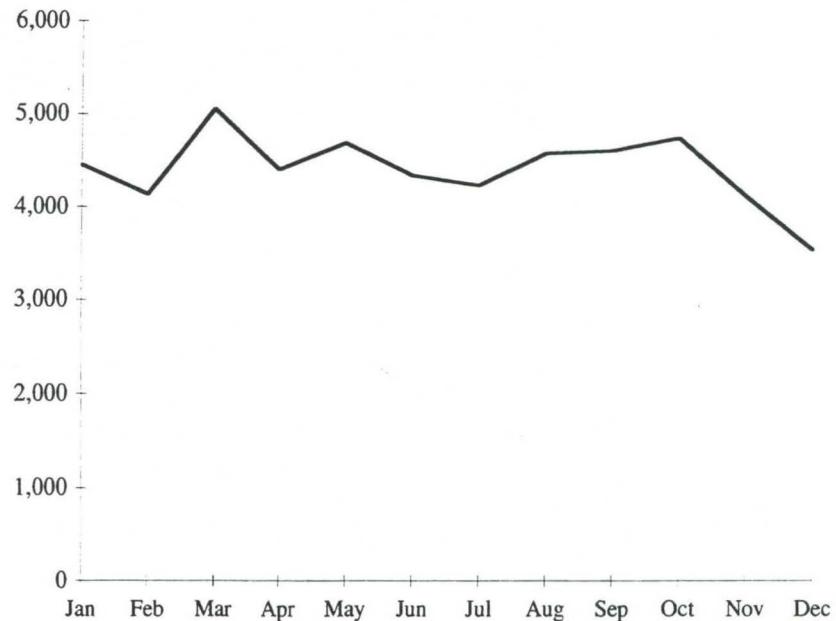
### **Incidents and Children Reported to the Child Abuse/Neglect Hotline, 1991-1995**



- During 1995, the month with the most reports to the CA/N hotline was March with 5,059 reports, followed by October with 4,756. December had the fewest number of reports with 3,547.

### **1995 Child Abuse/Neglect Reports, by Month of Report**

January	4,449
February	4,125
March	5,059
April	4,411
May	4,687
June	4,338
July	4,238
August	4,594
September	4,623
October	4,756
November	4,137
December	3,547
	<b>52,964</b>



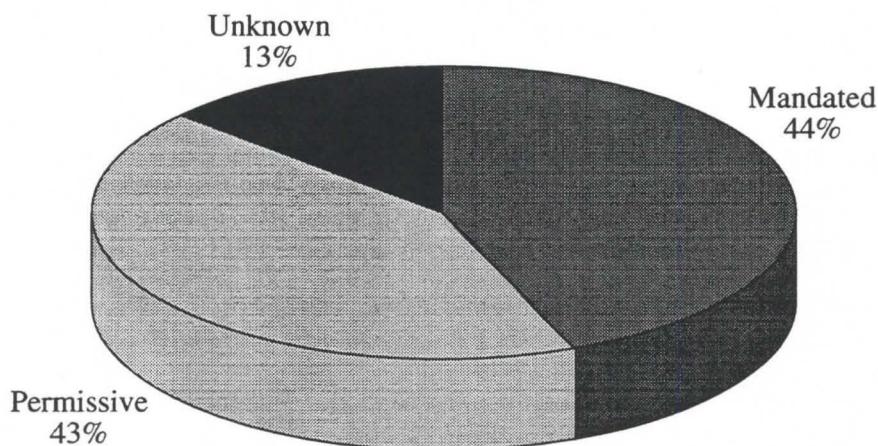
## **Reports and Investigations**

### **Reporters**

Reports of child abuse/neglect can be made by persons who are either "mandated" or "permissive" reporters. Mandated reporters are required by state statute to report abuse/neglect when they have reasonable cause to suspect a child has been or is being abused. Mandated reporters include health and education professionals, social workers and foster parents, among others. Permissive reporters are those people not required to report suspected abuse/neglect, such as relatives or neighbors.

- Forty-four percent (44%) of the reports made in 1995 were made by mandated reporters and forty-three percent (43%) were made by permissive reporters.

**Child Abuse/Neglect Reporters, 1995  
by Type of Reporter**



**RSMo 210.115. Reports of abuse or neglect, who shall make.** – When any physician, medical examiner, coroner, dentist, chiropractor, podiatrist, resident, intern, nurse, hospital and clinic personnel (engaged in examination, care or treatment of persons), and other health practitioner, psychologist, mental health professional, social worker, day care center worker or other child care worker, juvenile officer, probation or parole officer, teacher, principal or other school official, Christian Science practitioner, peace officer or law enforcement official, or other person with responsibility for the care of children, has reasonable cause to suspect that a child has been or may be subjected to abuse or neglect or observes a child being subjected to conditions or circumstances which would reasonably result in abuse or neglect, he shall immediately report or cause a report to be made to the division in accordance with the provisions of sections 210.110 to 210.165.

## **Reports and Investigations**

- The most frequent mandated reporters were social workers, followed by school officials and law enforcement officers.

### **Reporters of Child Abuse/Neglect by Occupation, 1995**

	<u>Number</u>	<u>Percent</u>
Permissive	23,679	42.6%
Unknown	7,476	13.4%
Social worker	5,609	10.1%
Principal or other school official	5,093	9.2%
Peace officer or law enforcement official	4,637	8.3%
Nurse	1,976	3.6%
Mental health professional	1,920	3.5%
Physician	1,051	1.9%
Juvenile officer	981	1.8%
Other person with responsibility for care of children	869	1.6%
Teacher	808	1.5%
Day care center or other child care worker	610	1.1%
Psychologist	364	0.7%
Other hospital/clinic personnel	156	0.3%
Foster parents	130	0.2%
Probation or parole officer	107	0.2%
Other health practitioner	68	0.1%
Dentist/Dental hygienist	26	0.0%
Medical examiner	18	0.0%
Intern	12	0.0%
Resident	11	0.0%
Coroner	7	0.0%
Chiropractor	1	0.0%
Optometrist	1	0.0%
Christian Science practitioner	1	0.0%
	55,611	100.0%

Note: Reporters exceed reports because more than one person may report an incident.

## **Reports and Investigations**

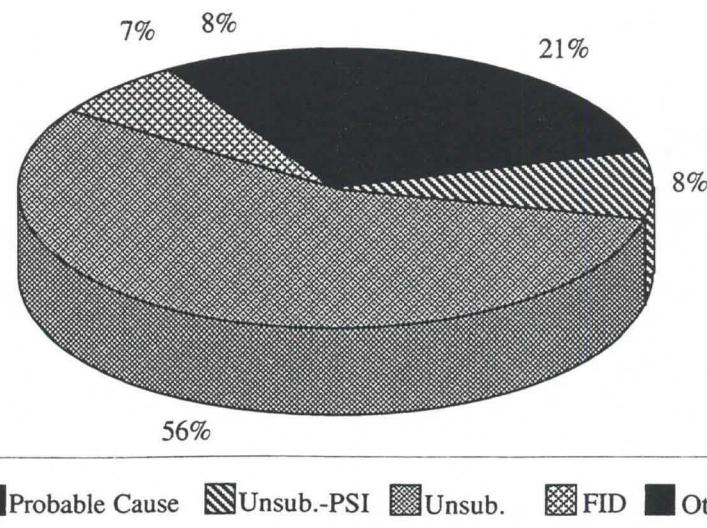
### **Child Abuse/Neglect Investigations**

Children's Services workers investigate each report to determine if there is sufficient evidence to support that the abuse/neglect has occurred. Thorough investigations require hours of interviews and evidence collection, and usually include the major steps listed below:

- Contacting the reporter, if known, for additional information before proceeding with the investigation;
- Contacting appropriate law enforcement personnel or multidisciplinary team members to request a co-investigation if the report involves sexual abuse or serious physical abuse/neglect;
- Observing and interviewing the child within 24 hours;
- Contacting collateral persons;
- Interviewing witnesses;
- Interviewing the non-offending parent;
- Interviewing the alleged perpetrator(s);
- Evaluating and documenting all evidence collected and observed; and,
- Determining whether abuse/neglect has or is occurring.

DFS policy requires completion of investigations within 30 days. When the Children's Services worker determines that there is probable cause to believe that abuse/neglect has or is occurring, the family is advised of available services. The family also is offered services when the investigative conclusion is Unsubstantiated-Preventive Services Indicated or when a Family Intervention Determination indicates the need for services.

**Reported Incidents by Conclusion, 1995**



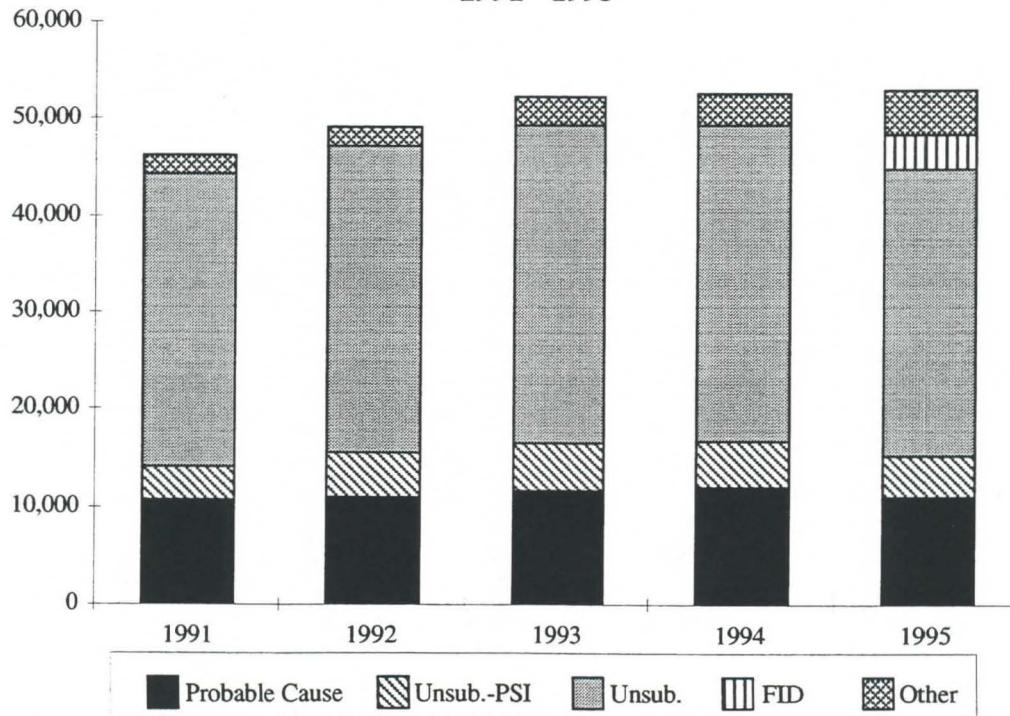
# ***Reports and Investigations***

## **Reported Incidents by Conclusion 1991 - 1995**

### **Unsubstantiated-**

<b>Probable Cause</b>	<b>PSI</b>		<b>Unsubstantiated</b>		<b>FID</b>		<b>Other</b>		<b>Total</b>
	<u>Number</u>	<u>Percent</u>	<u>Number</u>	<u>Percent</u>	<u>Number</u>	<u>Percent</u>	<u>Number</u>	<u>Percent</u>	
1991 10,748	23.2%	3,380	7.3%	30,173	65.1%	N/A	N/A	2,035	4.4% 46,336
1992 11,098	22.5%	4,602	9.3%	31,506	64.0%	N/A	N/A	2,041	4.1% 49,247
1993 11,759	22.5%	4,854	9.3%	32,836	62.8%	N/A	N/A	2,817	5.4% 52,266
1994 12,037	22.8%	4,837	9.2%	32,513	61.7%	N/A	N/A	3,345	6.3% 52,732
1995 11,027	20.8%	4,325	8.2%	29,410	55.5%	3,711	7.0%	4,491	8.5% 52,964

## **Reported Incidents by Conclusion 1991 - 1995**



Conclusions are as follows:

Probable Cause - Court Adjudicated and Probable Cause

Unsub.-PSI - Unsubstantiated-Preventive Services Indicated

Unsub. - Unsubstantiated

FID - Family Intervention Determination: Services Needed, Services Not Needed, and Non-cooperative/Child Safe

Other - Unable to Locate, Inappropriate Report, Located Out of State and Home Schooling

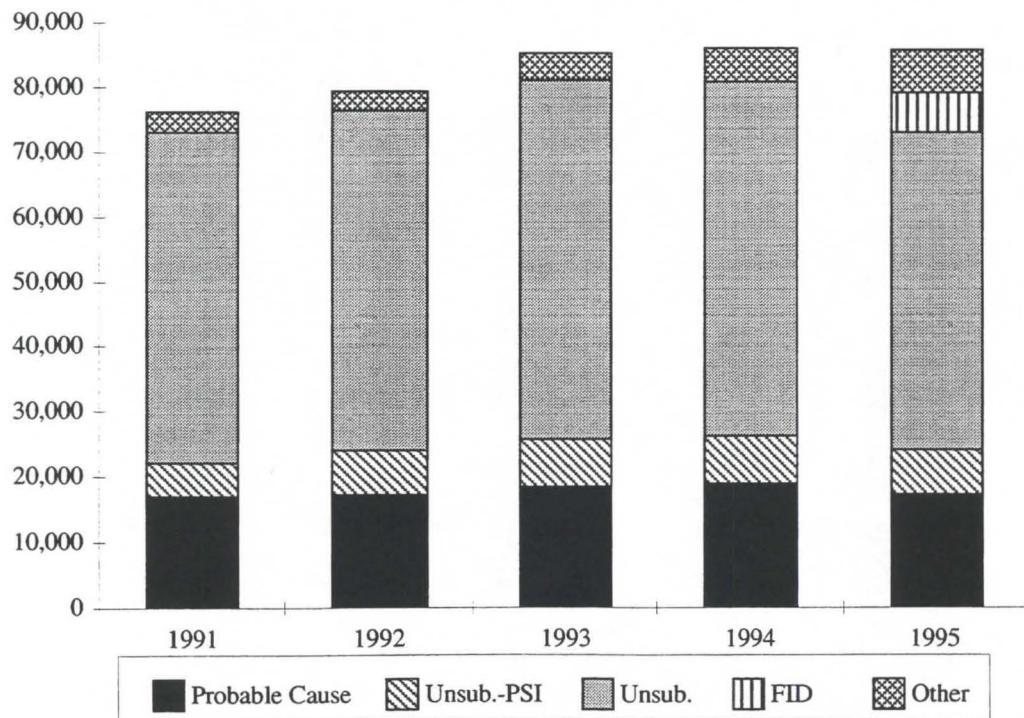
## Reports and Investigations

### Reported Children by Conclusion

#### Unsubstantiated-

Probable Cause	PSI		Unsubstantiated		FID		Other		Total
	Number	Percent	Number	Percent	Number	Percent	Number	Percent	
1991	17,090	22.4%	5,139	6.7%	50,927	66.8%	N/A	N/A	3,100 4.1% 76,256
1992	17,410	21.9%	6,917	8.7%	52,127	65.6%	N/A	N/A	3,033 3.8% 79,487
1993	18,502	21.7%	7,453	8.7%	55,251	64.8%	N/A	N/A	4,122 4.8% 85,328
1994	18,955	22.0%	7,428	8.6%	54,579	63.5%	N/A	N/A	5,013 5.8% 85,975
1995	17,484	20.3%	6,658	7.7%	48,982	57.0%	6,166	7.2%	6,651 7.7% 85,941

### Reported Children by Conclusion 1991 - 1995



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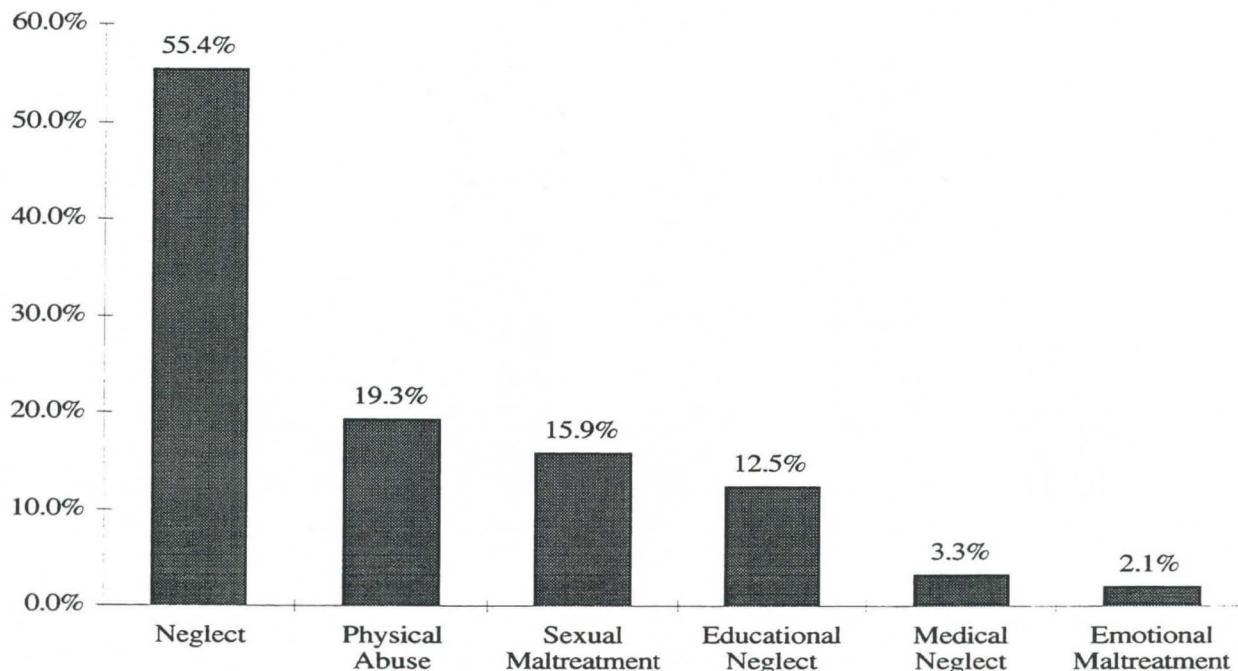
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## **Reports and Investigations**

When a Children's Services worker determines there is probable cause that abuse/neglect has occurred, each child can be assigned up to four categories of abuse/neglect. As the graph below indicates, the most prevalent category is neglect, followed by physical abuse and sexual maltreatment.

**Probable Cause Children  
by Category of Abuse/Neglect, 1995**



Percent is the percentage of total probable cause children. Percent total is greater than 100 because a child may be found probable cause for up to four categories of abuse/neglect.

**Probable Cause Children by Category of Abuse/Neglect, 1995**

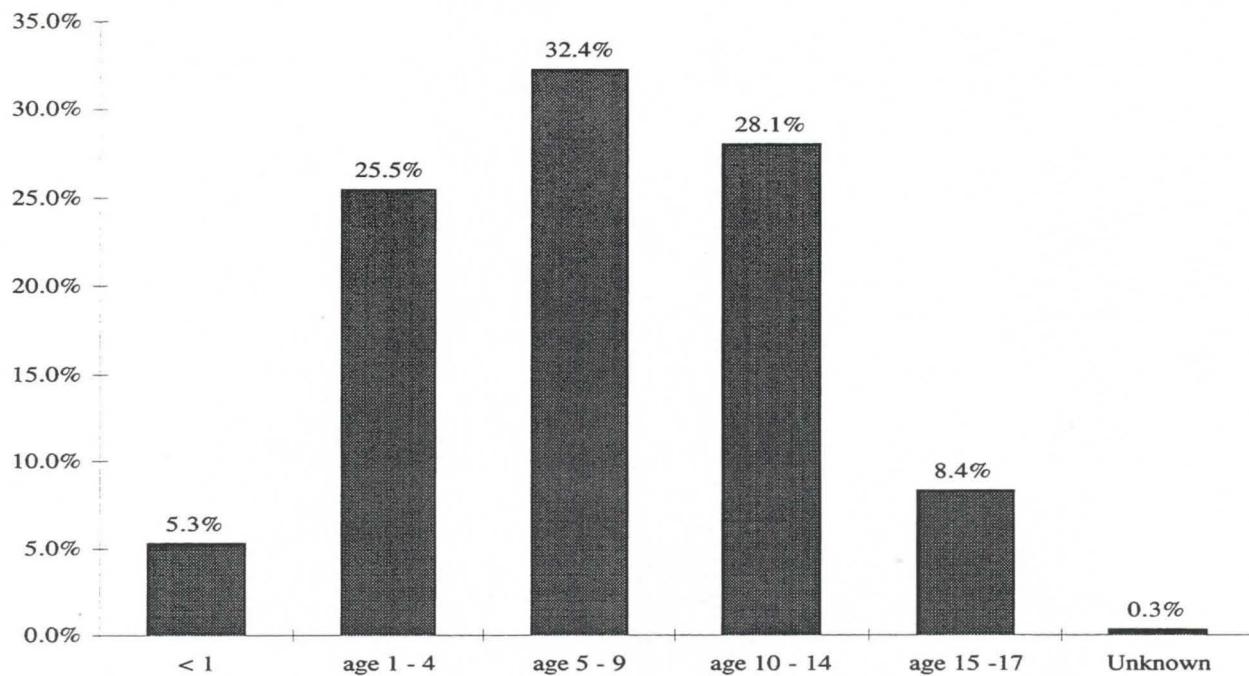
	<u>Number</u>	<u>Percent</u>
Neglect	9,690	55.4%
Physical Abuse	3,376	19.3%
Sexual Maltreatment	2,788	15.9%
Educational Neglect	2,181	12.5%
Medical Neglect	581	3.3%
Emotional Maltreatment	360	2.1%

Percent is the percentage of total probable cause children. Percent total is greater than 100 because a child may be found probable cause for up to four categories of abuse/neglect.

# **Probable Cause Child Abuse/Neglect**

## **Child Demographics**

**Probable Cause Children by Age, 1995**



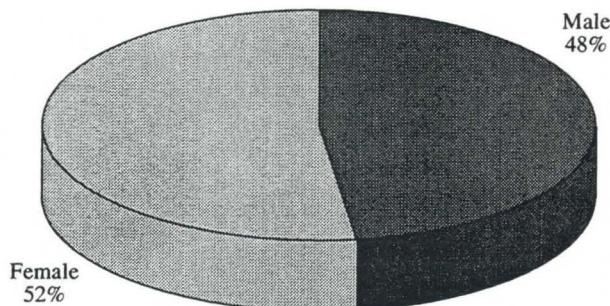
- The most common age group for probable cause children was 5 - 9 years, followed by ages 10 - 14. Relatively few (5%) of probable cause children were less than one year old.

**Probable Cause Children by Age, 1995**

<b>Age</b>	<b>Number</b>	<b>Percent</b>	<b>Age</b>	<b>Number</b>	<b>Percent</b>
< 1	934	5.3%	10	955	5.5%
1	991	5.7%	11	939	5.4%
2	1,105	6.3%	12	985	5.6%
3	1,203	6.9%	13	1,022	5.8%
4	1,157	6.6%	14	1,012	5.8%
5	1,189	6.8%	15	828	4.7%
6	1,228	7.0%	16	486	2.8%
7	1,150	6.6%	17	154	0.9%
8	1,064	6.1%	Unknown	55	0.3%
9	1,027	5.9%		17,484	100.0%

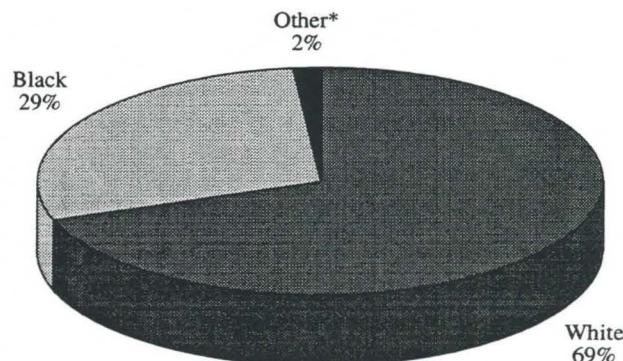
## **Probable Cause Child Abuse/Neglect**

### **Probable Cause Children by Sex, 1995**



- In 1995, approximately half (48%) of the probable cause children were male, and half (52%) were female.

### **Probable Cause Children by Race, 1995**



- Sixty-nine (69%) percent of probable cause children were white and twenty-nine percent (29%) were black.

\* Other includes Hispanic, Oriental, American Indian, Other and Unknown.

### **Sex and Race of Probable Cause Children, 1995**

	<b>Number</b>	<b>Percent</b>		<b>Number</b>	<b>Percent</b>
Male	8,370	47.9%	White	12,134	69.4%
Female	9,111	52.1%	Black	5,080	29.1%
Unknown	3	0.0%	Hispanic	118	0.7%
	<u>17,484</u>	<u>100.0%</u>	Oriental	40	0.2%
			American Indian	33	0.2%
			Other	68	0.4%
			Unknown	11	0.1%
				<u>17,484</u>	<u>100.0%</u>

## **Probable Cause Child Abuse/Neglect**

Information gathered during an investigation of child abuse/neglect can help identify factors which place a child at risk for abuse/neglect. In addition to establishing an investigative conclusion for each child, Children's Services workers may designate up to four **Observed Family Characteristics** for each reported incident. For families where abuse/neglect is found, these characteristics may indicate which services could help prevent the reoccurrence of abuse/neglect. It is important to note that these are not absolute counts. For instance, a problem with alcohol or other drugs may be difficult to detect during the course of an investigation.

- The family characteristics reported in 1995 are similar to those reported in the last five years. Over thirty-four percent (34%) of the probable cause incidents involved single parent families. Thirty-two (32%) of the families involved in probable cause incidents were amenable to services. The top twenty family characteristics are listed below.

### **Characteristics of Families Involved in Probable Cause Incidents, 1995** (Non-institutional incidents only)

	<u>Number</u>	<u>Percent</u>
Single parent household	3,742	34.5%
Amenable to services	3,474	32.0%
Lack of parenting skills	3,218	29.7%
Adequate living conditions	3,055	28.2%
Stable family relationship/household	1,385	12.8%
Appropriate parenting skills	1,209	11.1%
Heavy continuous child care responsibility	1,078	9.9%
Insufficient/misuse of income	1,011	9.3%
Marital problems	798	7.4%
Domestic violence	791	7.3%
Alcohol related problem(s)	762	7.0%
Recent/frequent relocation	713	6.6%
Other drug related problem(s)	604	5.6%
Crowded living conditions	552	5.1%
Recent loss/addition to household members	539	5.0%
New baby in home/pregnancy	509	4.7%
Social isolation	367	3.4%
Role reversal	306	2.8%
Loss of employment	297	2.7%
Teen parent(s)	214	2.0%

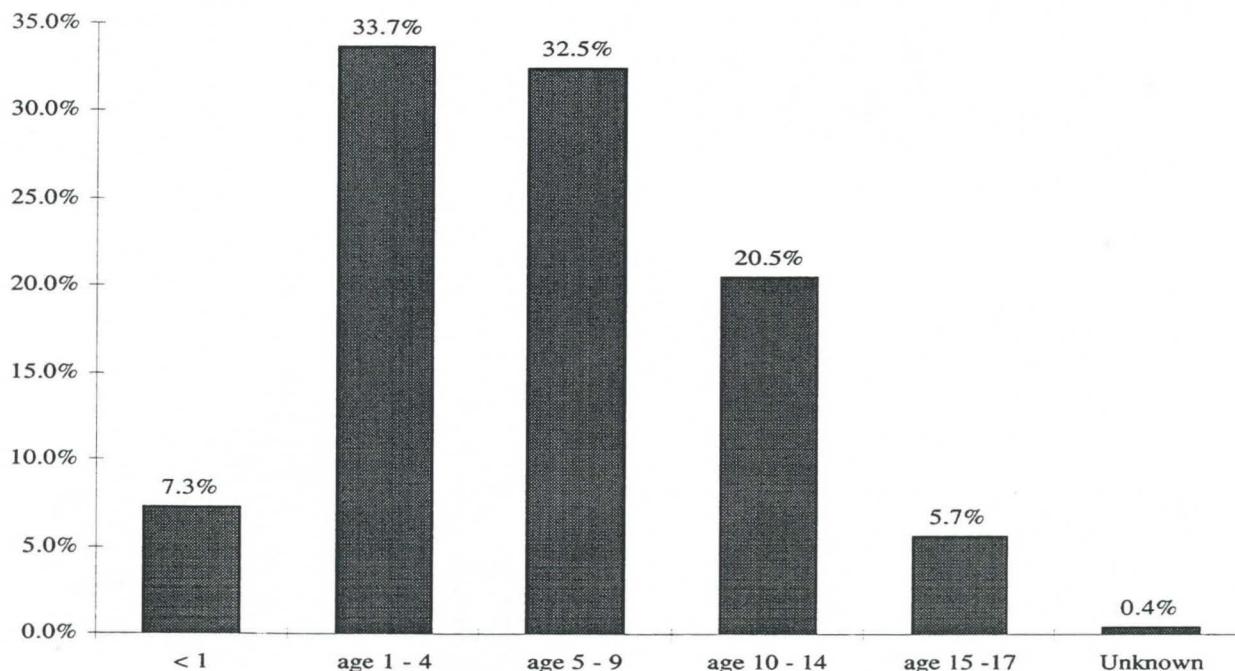
Percent is the percentage of total probable cause incidents. Percent total is greater than 100 because up to four family characteristics may be reported for each incident.

## **Probable Cause Child Abuse/Neglect**

### **Neglect**

During the year 9,690 children were found probable cause under the category of neglect. Among these children, the most common age group was 1 - 4 years, followed by ages 5 - 9.

**Neglected Children by Age, 1995**



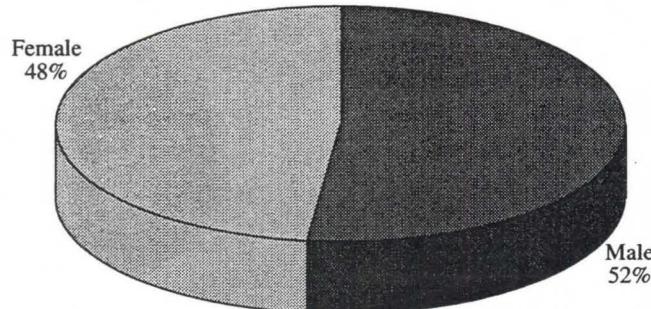
**Neglected Children by Age, 1995**

<b>Age</b>	<b>Number</b>	<b>Percent</b>	<b>Age</b>	<b>Number</b>	<b>Percent</b>
< 1	706	7.3%	10	475	4.9%
1	805	8.3%	11	414	4.3%
2	831	8.6%	12	378	3.9%
3	847	8.7%	13	380	3.9%
4	778	8.0%	14	342	3.5%
5	747	7.7%	15	288	3.0%
6	678	7.0%	16	206	2.1%
7	621	6.4%	17	57	0.6%
8	558	5.8%	Unknown	38	0.4%
9	541	5.6%		9,690	100.0%

Note: This is a duplicated count of children because a child may be found probable cause for neglect more than once during the year.

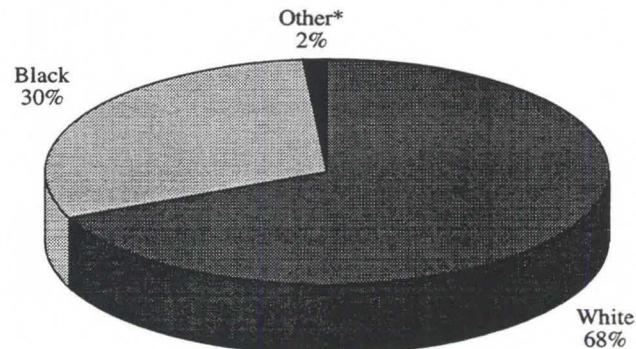
## **Probable Cause Child Abuse/Neglect**

### **Sex of Neglected Children, 1995**



- Approximately half (52%) of neglected children were male and half (48%) were female.

### **Race of Neglected Children, 1995**



\* Other includes Hispanic, Oriental, American Indian, Other and Unknown.

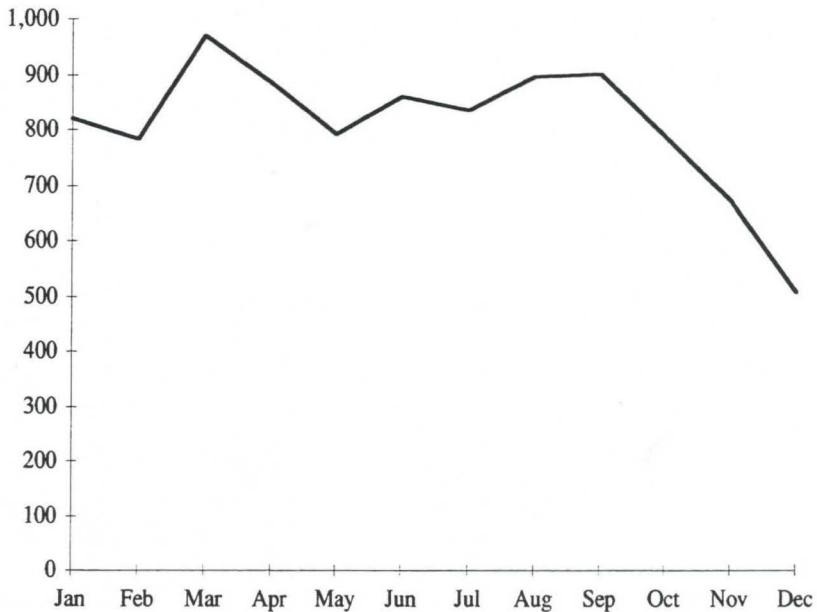
### **Sex and Race of Neglected Children, 1995**

	<b>Number</b>	<b>Percent</b>		<b>Number</b>	<b>Percent</b>
Male	5,035	52.0%	White	6,617	68.3%
Female	4,652	48.0%	Black	2,926	30.2%
Unknown	3	0.0%	Hispanic	147	1.5%
	9,690	100.0%	Oriental	18	0.2%
			American Indian	29	0.3%
			Other	35	0.4%
			Unknown	7	0.1%
				9,690	100.0%

## **Probable Cause Child Abuse/Neglect**

### **Neglected Children by Month of Report, 1995**

January	820
February	782
March	970
April	883
May	789
June	859
July	833
August	893
September	899
October	784
November	671
December	507
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	9,690



- March had the highest incidence of child neglect. The number of neglected children fell during the spring and then rose gradually during the summer months. After September, the numbers declined sharply, falling to the low for the year in December.

In addition to assigning categories of abuse or neglect, a Children's Services worker may also describe up to five specific findings of abuse. For neglected children the most frequent worker descriptions are those typically associated with neglect, such as a lack of supervision and unsanitary living conditions. The ten most frequently reported worker findings for neglected children are listed below.

### **Worker Findings for Neglected Children, 1995**

	<b>Number</b>	<b>Percent</b>
Lack of supervision	5,198	53.6%
Unsanitary living conditions	2,297	23.7%
Unsafe/inadequate shelter	975	10.1%
Poor hygiene (health threatening)	823	8.5%
Other abuse/neglect	680	7.0%
Lack of food	606	6.3%
Parents indifferent to educational needs	574	5.9%
Rejection through indifference	468	4.8%
Locking in or out, expelling from home	317	3.3%
Abandonment	311	3.2%

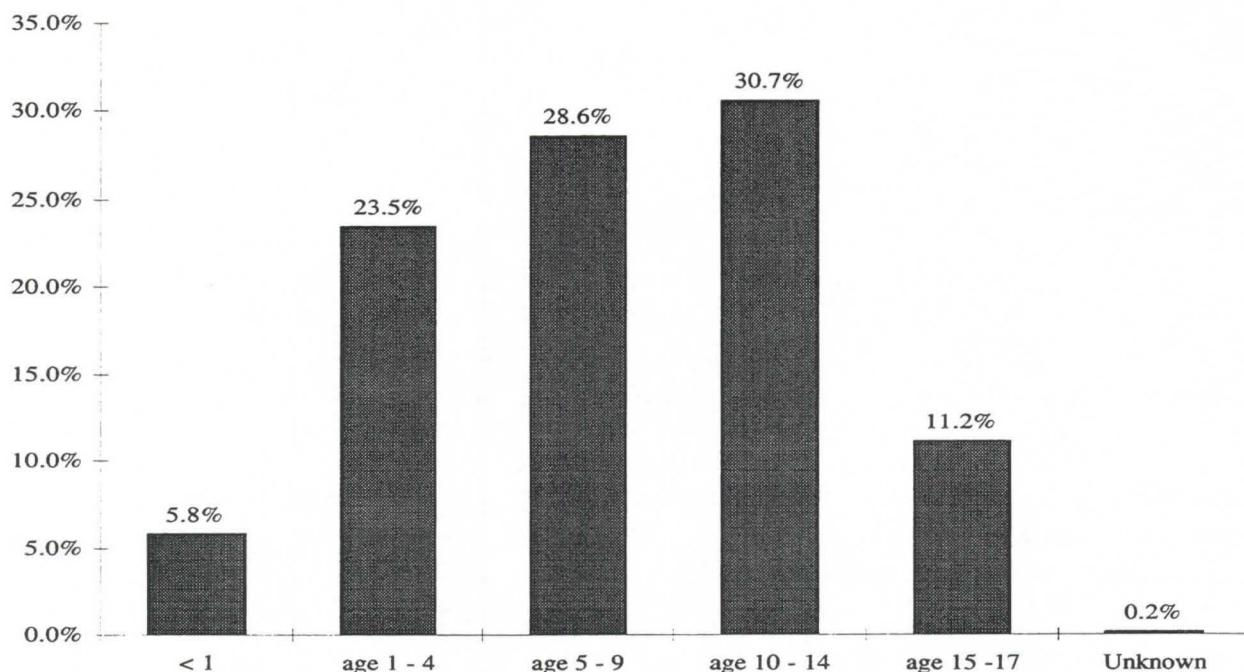
Percent is the percentage of total neglected children. Percent total is greater than 100 because a worker may list up to five specific findings for each child.

## **Probable Cause Child Abuse/Neglect**

### **Physical Abuse**

During the year 3,376 children were found probable cause under the category of physical abuse. Among these children, the most common age group was 10 - 14 years, followed by ages 5 - 9.

**Physically Abused Children by Age, 1995**



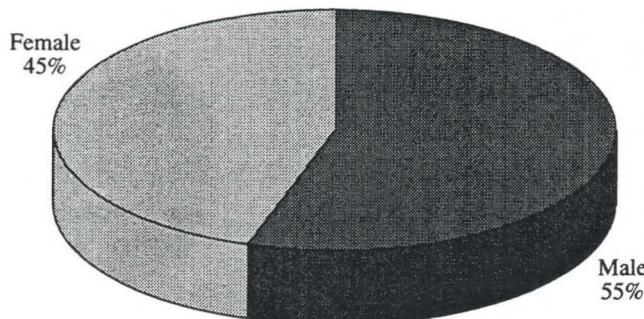
**Physically Abused Children by Age, 1995**

<b>Age</b>	<b>Number</b>	<b>Percent</b>	<b>Age</b>	<b>Number</b>	<b>Percent</b>
< 1	196	5.8%	10	170	5.0%
1	161	4.8%	11	183	5.4%
2	203	6.0%	12	216	6.4%
3	215	6.4%	13	224	6.6%
4	216	6.4%	14	243	7.2%
5	202	6.0%	15	185	5.5%
6	212	6.3%	16	150	4.4%
7	193	5.7%	17	42	1.2%
8	204	6.0%	Unknown	6	0.2%
9	155	4.6%		3,376	100.0%

Note: This is a duplicated count of children because a child may be found probable cause for physical abuse more than one time during the year.

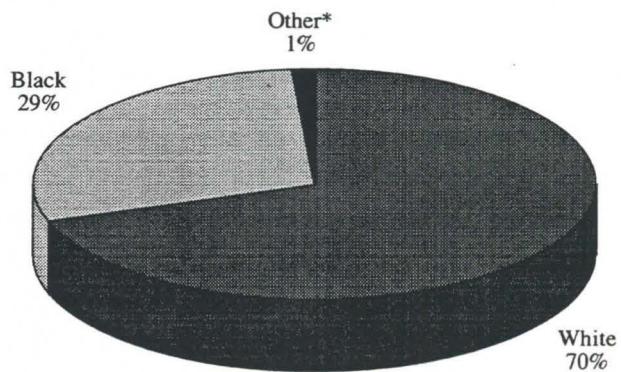
## **Probable Cause Child Abuse/Neglect**

### **Sex of Physically Abused Children, 1995**



- As with neglected children, approximately half (55%) of physically abused children were male and half (45%) were female.

### **Race of Physically Abused Children, 1995**



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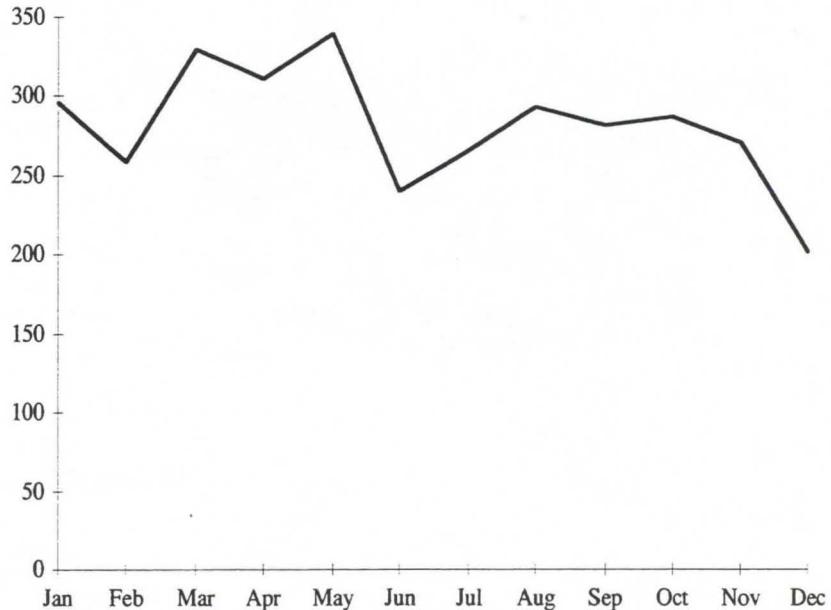
### **Sex and Race of Physically Abused Children, 1995**

	<u>Number</u>	<u>Percent</u>		<u>Number</u>	<u>Percent</u>
Male	1,853	54.9%	White	2,355	69.8%
Female	1,523	45.1%	Black	974	28.9%
	3,376	100.0%	Hispanic	18	0.5%
			Oriental	9	0.3%
			American Indian	2	0.1%
			Other	18	0.5%
				3,376	100.0%

# **Probable Cause Child Abuse/Neglect**

## **Physically Abused Children by Month of Report, 1995**

January	296
February	259
March	330
April	311
May	339
June	240
July	266
August	293
September	282
October	287
November	271
December	202
	<b>3,376</b>



- March, April and May had the highest incidence of physically abused children. The number of physically abused children fell in June, but then rose gradually as summer progressed. The numbers declined gradually between August and November and fell sharply in December.

For physically abused children, the most frequently reported worker findings were bruises, welts or red marks and abrasions or lacerations. Lack of supervision is also cited quite frequently, suggesting that neglect may occur in some abusive situations. The ten most often reported worker findings for physically abused children are listed below.

## **Worker Findings for Physically Abused Children, 1995**

	<b>Number</b>	<b>Percent</b>
Bruises, welts, red marks	1,970	58.4%
Other physical abuse or injury	934	27.7%
Abrasions, lacerations	352	10.4%
Lack of supervision	332	9.8%
Other abuse/neglect	215	6.4%
Blaming, verbal abuse, threatening	190	5.6%
Wounds, cuts, punctures	122	3.6%
Fractures (other than skull)	113	3.3%
Burns, scalding	100	3.0%
Locking in or out, expelling from home	61	1.8%

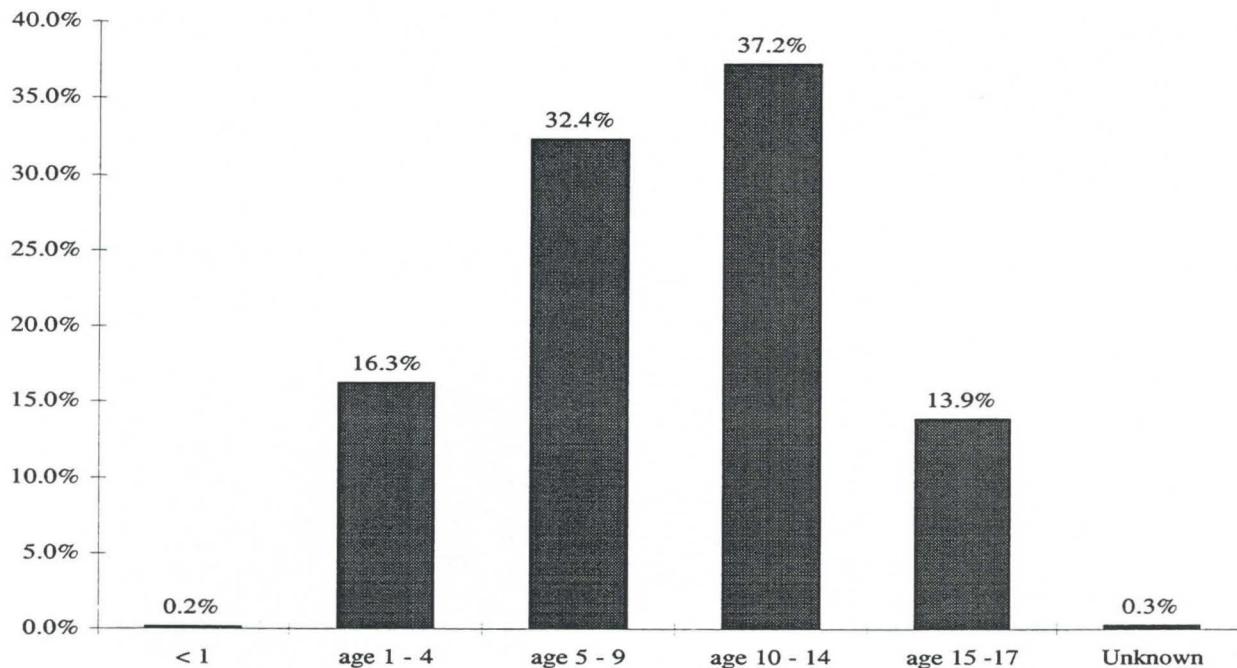
Percent is the percentage of total physically abused children. Percent total is greater than 100 because a worker may list up to five specific findings for each child.

## **Probable Cause Child Abuse/Neglect**

### **Sexual Maltreatment**

During the year 2,788 children were found probable cause under the category of sexual maltreatment. Among these children the most common age group was 10 - 14 years, followed by ages 5 - 9.

**Sexually Maltreated Children by Age, 1995**



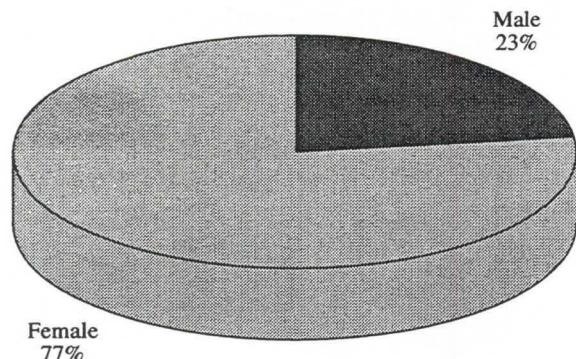
**Sexually Maltreated Children by Age, 1995**

<b>Age</b>	<b>Number</b>	<b>Percent</b>	<b>Age</b>	<b>Number</b>	<b>Percent</b>
< 1	5	0.2%	10	163	5.8%
1	17	0.6%	11	191	6.9%
2	75	2.7%	12	209	7.5%
3	165	5.9%	13	235	8.4%
4	196	7.0%	14	237	8.5%
5	195	7.0%	15	194	7.0%
6	198	7.1%	16	130	4.7%
7	152	5.5%	17	62	2.2%
8	174	6.2%	Unknown	9	0.3%
9	181	6.5%		2,788	100.0%

Note: This is a duplicated count of children because a child may be found probable cause for sexual maltreatment more than one time during the year.

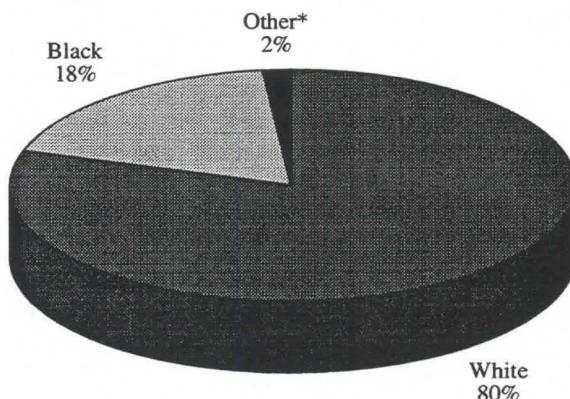
## **Probable Cause Child Abuse/Neglect**

### **Sex of Sexually Maltreated Children, 1995**



- Unlike neglected and physically abused children, where approximately half were male and half were female, the majority (77%) of sexually maltreated children were female.

### **Race of Sexually Maltreated Children, 1995**



\* Other includes Hispanic, Oriental, American Indian, Other and Unknown.

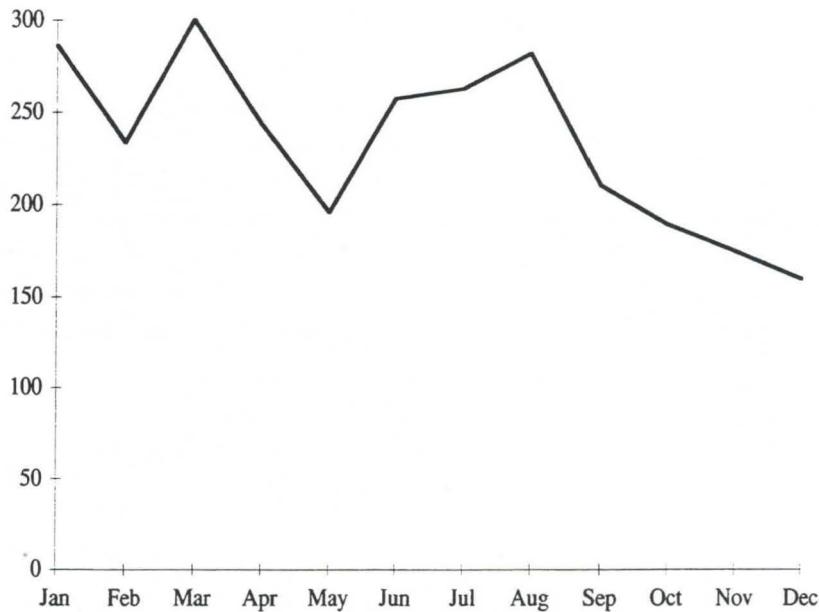
### **Sex and Race of Sexually Maltreated Children, 1995**

	<b>Number</b>	<b>Percent</b>		<b>Number</b>	<b>Percent</b>
Male	633	22.7%	White	2,228	79.9%
Female	2,155	77.3%	Black	516	18.5%
	2,788	100.0%	Hispanic	19	0.7%
			Oriental	7	0.3%
			American Indian	2	0.1%
			Other	12	0.4%
			Unknown	4	0.1%
				2,788	100.0%

## **Probable Cause Child Abuse/Neglect**

### **Sexually Maltreated Children by Month of Report, 1995**

January	286
February	233
March	300
April	243
May	195
June	257
July	262
August	281
September	210
October	188
November	174
December	159
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	2,788



- January and March had the highest incidence of sexually maltreated children. The number of sexually maltreated children fell in April and May, but rose again during the summer months. The numbers declined in the Fall, falling to the low for the year in December.

For sexually maltreated children, the most frequently reported worker finding was fondling or touching. As with the physically abused children, lack of supervision is also cited quite frequently. This suggests that neglect may also occur in some situations of sexual abuse. The ten most often reported worker findings for sexually maltreated children are listed below.

### **Worker Findings for Sexually Maltreated Children, 1995**

	<u>Number</u>	<u>Percent</u>
Fondling/touching	1,880	67.4%
Other sexual abuse	703	25.2%
Oral sex, sodomy	674	24.2%
Intercourse	410	14.7%
Digital penetration	380	13.6%
Lack of supervision	264	9.5%
Other abuse/neglect	59	2.1%
Other physical abuse or injury	58	2.1%
Pornography	49	1.8%
Inappropriately giving drugs	44	1.6%

Percent is the percentage of total sexually maltreated children. Percent total is greater than 100 because a worker may list up to five specific findings for each child.

## ***Probable Cause Child Abuse/Neglect***

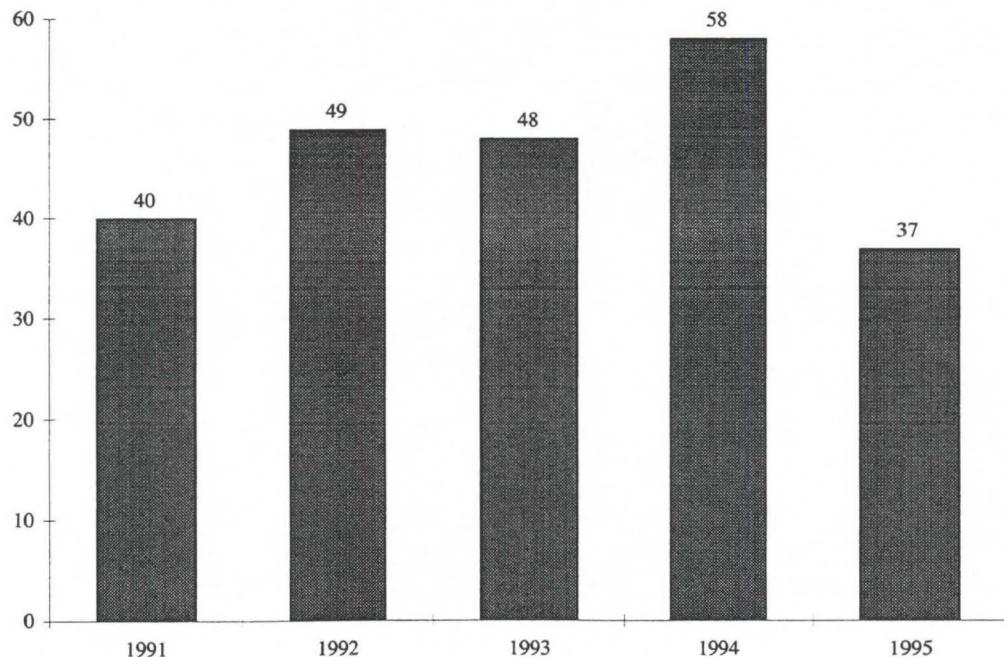
### **Child Abuse/Neglect Fatalities**

The number of probable cause fatalities in 1995 decreased from 1994. Thirty-seven (37) children died as a result of child abuse/neglect in 1995, compared to 58 in 1994.

These figures only represent children whose deaths are brought to the attention of DFS. Recent media attention, both on a state and national level, has focused on children whose deaths were never brought to the attention of the proper authorities despite the suspicious nature of their deaths. When fatal child abuse goes undetected, other children in the home and community remain at risk. In 1993, DFS enhanced the automated CA/N system to gather more comprehensive child fatality information and to facilitate understanding of the circumstances surrounding the child's death. This information, along with information collected by the Child Fatality Review Panel in each county, will allow the state to better address the needs of these families.

The number of fatalities in a year may change as a result of pending investigations, changes in conclusions and deaths not reported until later.

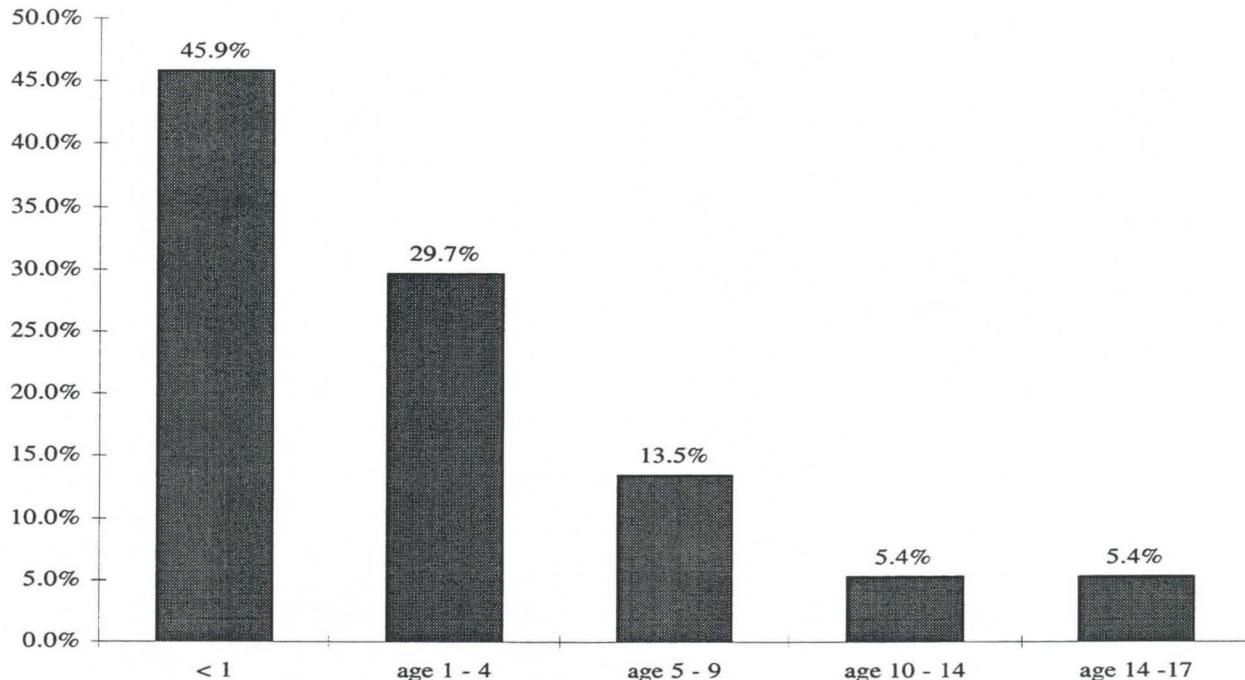
**Probable Cause Fatalities  
1991 - 1995**



1991	1992	1993	1994	1995
40	49	48	58	37

## **Probable Cause Child Abuse/Neglect**

### **Probable Cause Fatalities by Age of Child, 1995**



- Forty-six percent (46%) of the probable cause fatalities were less than one year old and eighty-one percent (81%) were less than five years old.

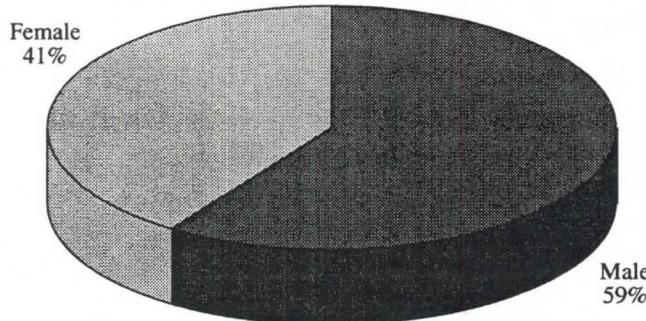
### **Probable Cause Fatalities by Age of Child, 1995**

<u>Age</u>	<u>Number</u>	<u>Percent</u>	<u>Age</u>	<u>Number</u>	<u>Percent</u>
< 1	17	45.9%	9	0	0.0%
1	4	10.8%	10	0	0.0%
2	3	8.1%	11	1	2.7%
3	4	10.8%	12	1	2.7%
4	0	0.0%	13	0	0.0%
5	2	5.4%	14	0	0.0%
6	1	2.7%	15	0	0.0%
7	1	2.7%	16	2	5.4%
8	1	2.7%	17	0	0.0%
				37	100.0%

Note: All probable cause fatalities are an unduplicated count of children.

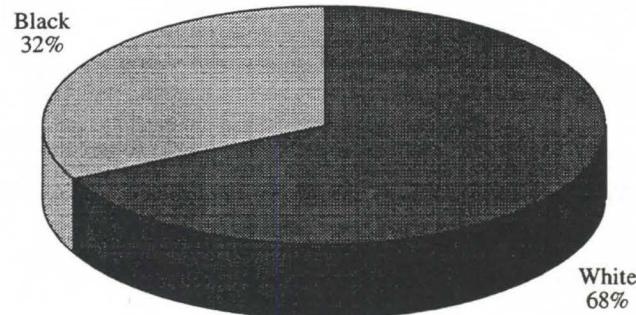
## **Probable Cause Child Abuse/Neglect**

### **Sex of Probable Cause Fatalities, 1995**



- Fifty-nine percent (59%) of the probable cause fatalities were male and forty-one percent (41%) were female.

### **Race of Probable Cause Fatalities, 1995**



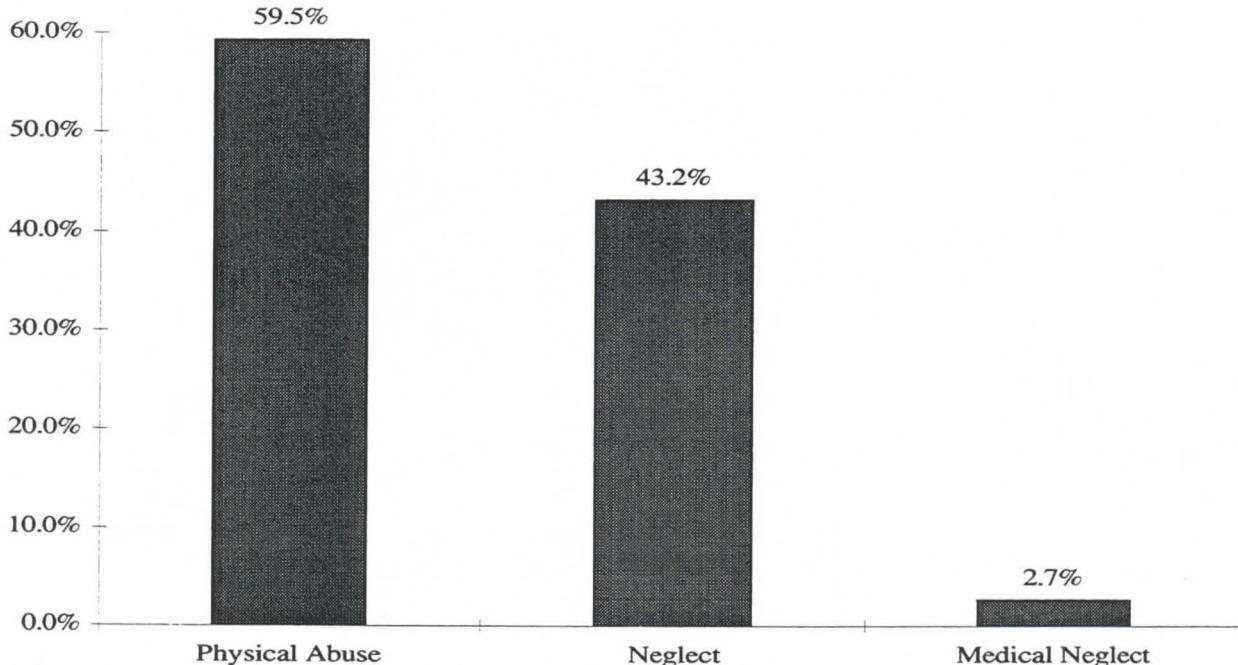
- The majority (68%) of the probable cause fatalities were white.

### **Sex and Race of Probable Cause Fatalities, 1995**

	<u>Number</u>	<u>Percent</u>		<u>Number</u>	<u>Percent</u>
Male	22	59.5%	White	25	67.6%
Female	15	40.5%	Black	12	32.4%
	<hr/>	<hr/>	Hispanic	0	0.0%
	37	100.0%	Oriental	0	0.0%
			American Indian	0	0.0%
			Other	0	0.0%
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				37	100.0%

## **Probable Cause Child Abuse/Neglect**

**Probable Cause Fatalities  
by Category of Abuse/Neglect, 1995**



Percent is the percentage of total probable cause fatalities. Percent total is greater than 100 because a child may be found probable cause for up to four categories of abuse/neglect.

- A majority (59%) of the CA/N fatalities were caused, at least in part, by physical abuse. Neglect was present in forty-three percent (43%) of the CA/N fatalities, while medical neglect contributed to one death.

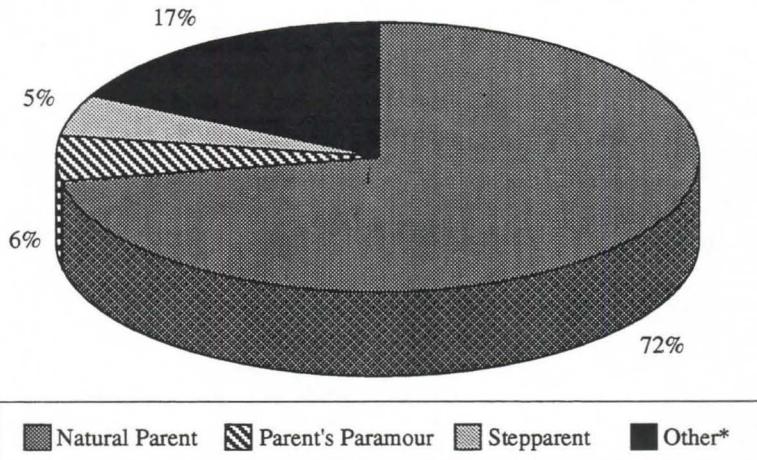
**Probable Cause Fatalities  
by Category of Abuse/Neglect, 1995**

	<u>Number</u>	<u>Percent</u>
Physical Abuse	22	59.5%
Neglect	16	43.2%
Medical Neglect	1	2.7%

Percent is the percentage of total probable cause fatalities. Percent total is greater than 100 because a child may be found probable cause for up to four categories of abuse/neglect.

## **Perpetrator Demographics**

**Relationship of Probable Cause Perpetrator to Probable Cause Child, 1995**



- \* Other includes the following: Grandparent, Sibling, Institutional staff, Child care provider, Foster parent, Adoptive parent, School personnel, Spouse/paramour, Self, Other relative and Unknown.
- The most common type of alleged perpetrator was the natural parent of the child.

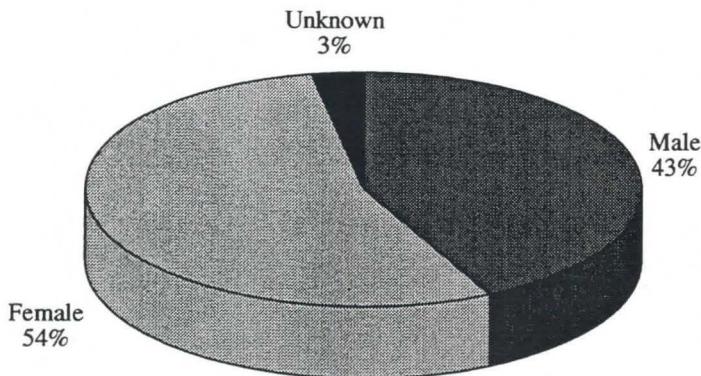
### **Alleged Perpetrators and Probable Cause Perpetrators by Relationship to Child, 1995**

	<u>Alleged Perpetrators</u>	<u>Probable Cause Perpetrators</u>	<u>Percent Found Probable Cause</u>
Natural parent	76,272	14,897	19.5%
Parent's paramour	6,284	1,155	18.4%
Stepparent	5,528	1,050	19.0%
Other	3,430	1,040	30.3%
Unknown	4,460	853	19.1%
Other relative	2,181	653	29.9%
Grandparent	2,486	431	17.3%
Sibling	677	161	23.8%
Child care provider	622	121	19.5%
Institutional staff	784	120	15.3%
Foster parent	617	86	13.9%
Adoptive parent	315	71	22.5%
School personnel	603	53	8.8%
Spouse/paramour	56	23	41.1%
Self	28	4	14.3%

Note: Total counts of perpetrators exceed total counts of children because a child may have more than one perpetrator.

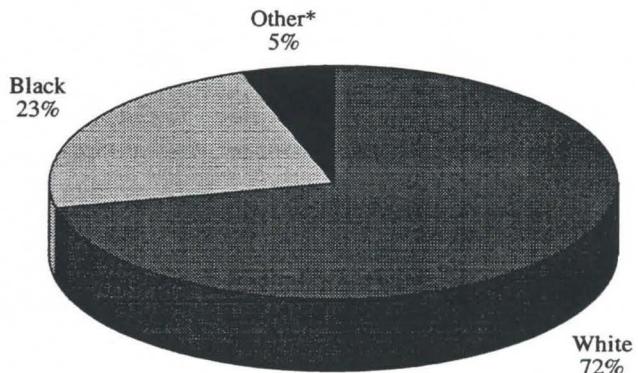
## **Perpetrator Demographics**

### **Probable Cause Perpetrators by Sex, 1995**



- Fifty-four percent (54%) of all probable cause perpetrators were female. Forty-two percent (42%) were males and three percent (3%) were unknown.

### **Probable Cause Perpetrators by Race, 1995**



- The race of probable cause perpetrators is similar to that of probable cause children. Seventy-two percent (72%) were white and twenty-three percent (23%) were black.

\* Other includes Hispanic, Oriental, American Indian, Other and Unknown.

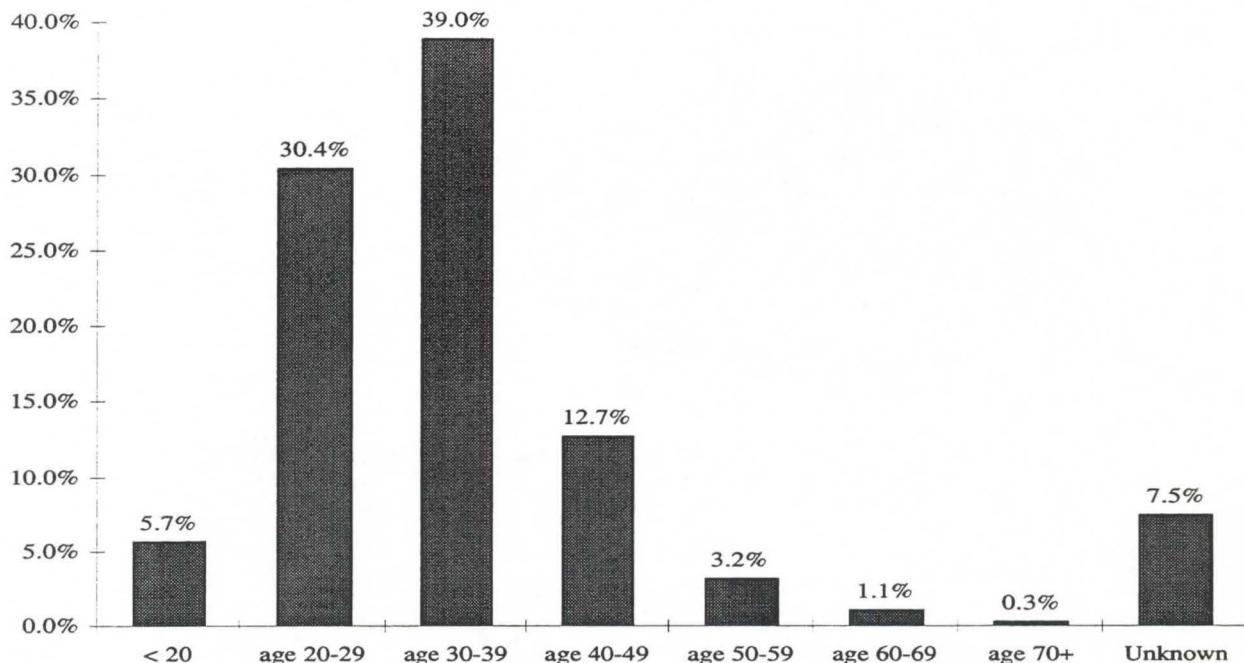
### **Sex and Race of Probable Cause Perpetrators, 1995**

	<b>Number</b>	<b>Percent</b>		<b>Number</b>	<b>Percent</b>
Male	5,626	42.6%	White	9,425	71.3%
Female	7,196	54.4%	Black	3,089	23.4%
Unknown	396	3.0%	Hispanic	110	0.8%
	13,218	100.0%	Oriental	34	0.3%
			American Indian	24	0.2%
			Other	29	0.2%
			Unknown	507	3.8%
				13,218	100.0%

Note: This is a duplicated count of perpetrators. An alleged perpetrator may be found probable cause for more than one incident during the year.

## **Perpetrator Demographics**

**Probable Cause Perpetrators by Age, 1995**



- Nearly seventy percent (70%) of all perpetrators were between 20 and 39 years of age.

**Probable Cause Perpetrators by Age, 1995**

	<u>Number</u>	<u>Percent</u>
< 20	753	5.7%
age 20-29	4,019	30.4%
age 30-39	5,159	39.0%
age 40-49	1,682	12.7%
age 50-59	425	3.2%
age 60-69	148	1.1%
age 70+	45	0.3%
Unknown	987	7.5%
	<u>13,218</u>	<u>100.0%</u>

Note: This is a duplicated count of perpetrators. An alleged perpetrator may be found probable cause for more than one incident during the year.

## **Perpetrator Demographics**

Children's Services workers may indicate up to four **Observed Perpetrator Characteristics** for each probable cause perpetrator of child abuse/neglect. These characteristics are used to develop client profiles and help illustrate which services may be beneficial to a family. For instance, if perpetrators have unrealistic expectations of children, providing information on child development can help teach more appropriate disciplinary techniques.

- In 1995, the most prevalent perpetrator characteristic was having unrealistic expectations of a child, which was the case for approximately thirty-four percent (34%) of the probable cause perpetrators. Social workers described twenty-two percent (22%) of the perpetrators as having no apparent mental or emotional disturbance and nineteen percent (19%) as being unemployed.

**Characteristics of Probable Cause Perpetrators, 1995**

	<b>Number</b>	<b>Percent</b>
Unrealistic expectations of child	4,452	33.7%
No apparent mental/emotional disturbance	2,852	21.6%
Unemployed	2,507	19.0%
Immaturity	2,053	15.5%
Amenable to services	1,882	14.2%
Loss of control during discipline	1,856	14.0%
Low self-esteem	1,843	13.9%
Alcohol-related problem(s)	1,473	11.1%
Other drug-related problem(s)	1,146	8.7%
No one to call on in time of crisis	1,034	7.8%
Mental/emotional disturbance	985	7.5%
Adequate support system	704	5.3%
Parental history of abuse/neglect as a child	650	4.9%
Less than high school education	624	4.7%
History of criminal activity	581	4.4%
Pattern of violent behavior	536	4.1%
Institutional report/unknown perpetrator	267	2.0%
High school education or higher	260	2.0%
Mental retardation	152	1.1%
Incapacity due to physical handicap	113	0.9%
Illness	103	0.8%
Other	44	0.3%

Percent is the percentage of total probable cause perpetrators. Percent total is greater than 100 because a worker may list up to four characteristics for each perpetrator.

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## ***Child Protection System (SB 595)***

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During the 1993-94 legislative session the General Assembly passed, and Governor Carnahan signed into law, Senate Bill 595. The legislation became law on August 28, 1994. The underlying principle of the Child Protection System (CPS), as embodied in Senate Bill 595, is that children and their families coming to the attention of the Division of Family Services have different intervention needs and require flexible responses from DFS and the community in order to protect children and meet the needs of the family.

This legislation established five demonstration areas to assess the impact of utilizing a multiple response when there is a report of child abuse/neglect. Senate Bill 595 requires DFS to investigate some reports of abuse/neglect, but allows a Family Assessment/Family Intervention Determination in reports that would not be considered, if true, a criminal violation.

The sponsors and supporters of Senate Bill 595 identified and focused on two primary goals of the CPS system. Those goals are to: (1) Ensure the protection of children from abuse or neglect; and, (2) Provide this protection to the child and family in the most efficient and effective manner possible within the framework of state, community and family resources.

An independent evaluation is being conducted during the demonstration period. The results of the evaluation will be used to assess the success of the demonstration as well as to identify any needed changes in procedure. In January 1998 DFS will present a recommendation to the Missouri Legislature regarding expansion of this approach statewide.

The five demonstration areas are:

**St. Louis Metropolitan Demonstration Area:**

Identified communities within St. Louis County - University City, Maplewood and the 63132 zip code.

Identified communities within St. Louis City - The neighborhood surrounding Sigel Community Center, including zip codes 63104 and 63118.

St. Charles County (11th Judicial Circuit)

Jefferson County (23rd Judicial Circuit)

**Washington County Demonstration Area (Part of the 24th Judicial Circuit)**

**South Central Demonstration Area:**

Phelps, Pulaski, Texas and Maries Counties (25th Judicial Circuit)

**Central Demonstration Area:**

Boone and Callaway Counties (13th Judicial Circuit)

**Southwest Demonstration Area:**

Barton, Cedar and Dade Counties (Part of the 28th Judicial Circuit)

Jasper County (29th Judicial Circuit)

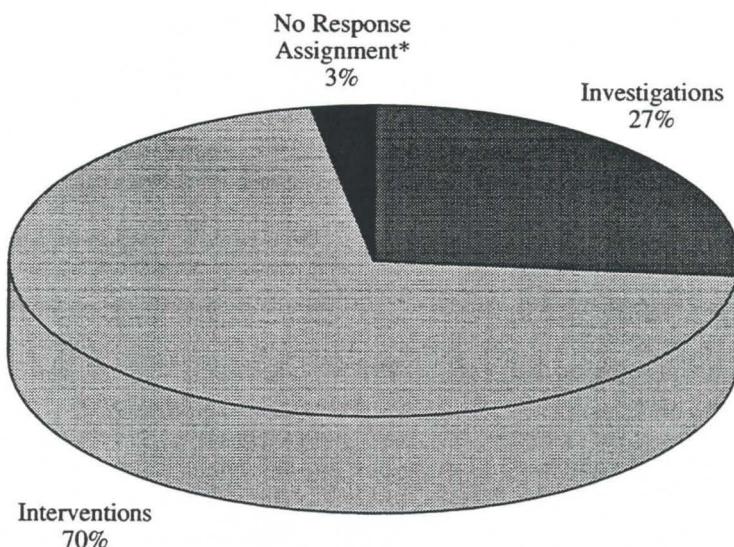
Newton County (Part of the 40th Judicial Circuit)

## ***Child Protection System (SB 595)***

In summary, this delivery approach is designed to focus the investigation efforts of DFS and law enforcement on cases that would be a crime. The remaining families are served through Family Intervention Determinations in order to address any service needs. Families who are investigated and those who receive the FID response both receive prompt and effective delivery of services in order to address their needs. All sites had begun the multiple response system by July 1, 1995.

Data included in this report reflects the initial phase of this demonstration. It identifies the strengths and needs of families which have come to the attention of the child protection system. Examination of the data provides DFS with information as to how children and families may be strengthened through providing identified support services.

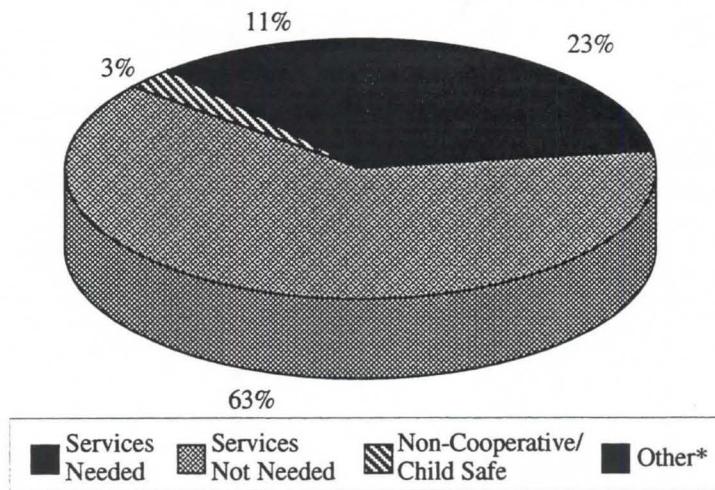
**Reports Made in Demonstration Areas by Type of Response,  
July 1, 1995 through December 31, 1995**



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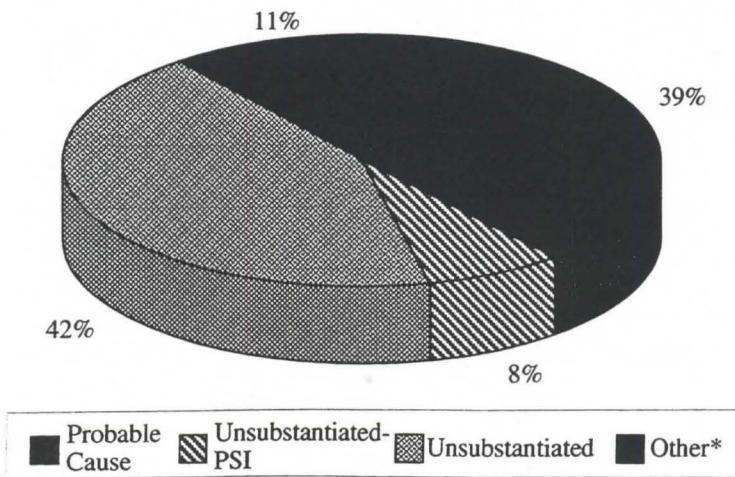
## **Child Protection System (SB 595)**

### **Child Protection System (SB 595) Family Intervention Determinations by Conclusion, July 1, 1995 through December 31, 1995**



- Of the Family Intervention Determinations, twenty-three percent (23%) of the families were in need of services, sixty-three percent (63%) did not need services, and only three percent (3%) were non-cooperative.
- For investigated reports in the demonstration area, thirty-nine percent (39%) were found probable cause. The statewide substantiation rate is twenty-one percent (21%).

### **Child Protection System (SB 595) Investigations by Conclusion, July 1, 1995 through December 31, 1995**



\* Other includes Unable to Locate, Inappropriate Report, Located Out of State and Home Schooling (based on response assignment)

## ***Child Protection System (SB 595)***

- For the interventions where the worker concluded that services were needed, a total of 1,539 service needs were identified, the most frequent of which was mental health services, needed by forty-one percent (41%) of the cases. This was followed by parenting classes, which were needed by 215 families. The fifteen most frequently needed services are listed below.

### **Service Needs for Interventions Identified as Needing Services, July 1, 1995 through December 31, 1995**

	<u>Number</u>	<u>Percent</u>
Mental health services	314	41.3%
Parenting classes/education/household management	215	28.3%
Child care	105	13.8%
Shelter	73	9.6%
Support groups	61	8.0%
Substance abuse treatment	60	7.9%
Health services	59	7.8%
Family preservation services	57	7.5%
Juvenile/family court services	56	7.4%
Domestic violence services	52	6.8%
Employment services	51	6.7%
Child protection services	49	6.4%
Assistance with utilities	47	6.2%
Financial assistance	45	5.9%
Educational services	44	5.8%

Percent is the percentage of all interventions where services were needed. Percent total is greater than 100 because up to twenty service needs may be reported for each intervention.

## **Child Protection System (SB 595)**

The goals of the Family Intervention Determination are to assure child safety, address the strengths of the family and to identify and treat the family's needs. Services and supports for families are designed to build on the strengths and resources of families and communities. In keeping with this philosophy, the list of **Observed Family Characteristics** was expanded to include more strength-based characteristics. Some of the new characteristics are extended family support systems, problem-solving skills and good physical/mental health.

- In fifty-three percent (53%) of the interventions, the families had adequate living conditions. Thirty-six percent (36%) of the interventions involved single parent households. Other frequently cited characteristics include amenable to services, appropriate parenting skills, stable family relationships, and extended family support system. The top 25 characteristics are listed below.

### **Child Protection System (SB 595) Characteristics of Families Involved in Family Intervention Determinations, July 1, 1995 through December 31, 1995**

	<u>Number</u>	<u>Percent</u>
Adequate living conditions	1,788	53.2%
Single parent household	1,215	36.2%
Amenable to services	1,012	30.1%
Appropriate parenting skills	974	29.0%
Stable family relationship/household	899	26.8%
Extended family support system	831	24.7%
Problem-solving skills	484	14.4%
Heavy continuous child care responsibility	374	11.1%
Lack of parenting skills	372	11.1%
Good physical/mental health	366	10.9%
Appropriate child development knowledge	357	10.6%
Marital problems	334	9.9%
Insufficient/misuse of income	330	9.8%
Community/cultural support	290	8.6%
No history of violence	283	8.4%
Manages finances well	271	8.1%
Recent/frequent relocation	267	7.9%
Stable marriage	244	7.3%
Recent loss/addition to household members	240	7.1%
Domestic violence	205	6.1%
Loss of employment	196	5.8%
Crowded living conditions	177	5.3%
New baby in home/pregnancy	174	5.2%
Alcohol related problem(s)	165	4.9%
Other drug related problem(s)	121	3.6%

Percent is the percentage of total interventions. Percent total is greater than 100 because up to fifteen family characteristics may be reported for each intervention.

## **Child Protection System (SB 595)**

- The characteristics for families involved in investigations in the multiple response demonstration areas are similar in rank to those of families in the intervention response. In forty-three percent (43%) of the investigations, the families had adequate living conditions. Amenable to services, single parent household, appropriate parenting skills, and stable family relationships were also cited frequently.
- Investigations had a higher percentage (22%) of families with a lack of parenting skills, than did intervention families (11%). Investigated families had a lower percentage (12%) of families with extended support systems than did intervention families (25%). The top 25 characteristics are listed below.

**Child Protection System (SB 595)**  
**Characteristics of Families Involved in Investigations,**  
**July 1, 1995 through December 31, 1995**

	<u>Number</u>	<u>Percent</u>
Adequate living conditions	553	43.4%
Amenable to services	455	35.7%
Single parent household	424	33.3%
Appropriate parenting skills	298	23.4%
Stable family relationship/household	282	22.1%
Lack of parenting skills	277	21.7%
Extended family support system	148	11.6%
Heavy continuous child care responsibility	146	11.5%
Marital problems	103	8.1%
Insufficient/misuse of income	101	7.9%
Recent/frequent relocation	86	6.7%
Alcohol related problem(s)	81	6.4%
Domestic violence	77	6.0%
Problem-solving skills	68	5.3%
Good physical/mental health	67	5.3%
Recent loss/addition to household members	62	4.9%
Appropriate child development knowledge	56	4.4%
Other drug related problem(s)	53	4.2%
Stable marriage	51	4.0%
No history of violence	49	3.8%
Manages finances well	45	3.5%
New baby in home/pregnancy	43	3.4%
Community/cultural support	40	3.1%
Loss of employment	40	3.1%
Social isolation	39	3.1%

Percent is the percentage of total investigations. Percent total is greater than 100 because up to fifteen family characteristics may be reported for each investigation.

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## ***Prevention/Treatment Services***

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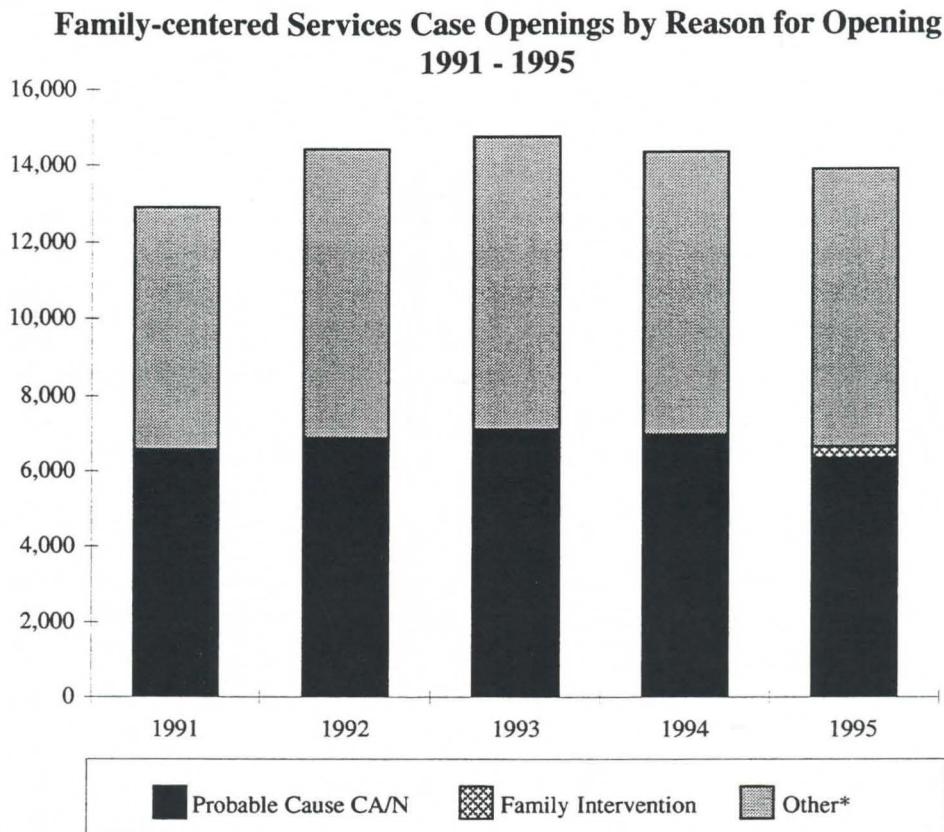
DFS has several programs that provide services designed to provide treatment and to help prevent future occurrence of child abuse and neglect.

**Parental Stress Helpline:** A DFS Parental Stress Helpline is available for parents who feel overwhelmed with parental pressures and responsibilities. The Helpline offers on-line crisis counseling to parents and provides referral information about local agencies which offer additional or more intensive services. The Helpline operates seven days a week, 24 hours a day. The toll-free telephone number of this emergency service is **1-800-367-2543**. Calls to the Parental Stress Helpline may be anonymous. However, if information is given that indicates child abuse/neglect has taken place, and identifying information is provided, the information must be forwarded to the DFS county office for investigation.

**Family-centered Services (FCS):** FCS are provided to families and children in their own homes when a child abuse/neglect investigation has been concluded Probable Cause, Unsubstantiated-Preventive Services Indicated or Family Intervention Determination-Services Needed. These services also are provided to families who voluntarily seek help and to families whose children are placed out of the home. Services are provided following a family-centered assessment to identify risk issues, family strengths and service needs. A family treatment plan is developed with the family to help them change the conditions which brought them to the attention of DFS. Services are designed to help the family direct their own affairs and provide suitable care for the children. The primary purpose of FCS is to improve and maintain the family unit or to reunify the family when alternative care services are provided. Services include a range of treatment and support services. The family treatment plan determines whether services are provided by DFS staff and/or purchased from community agencies. Purchased services include day care, family and/or individual counseling, home-based, family-centered services, evaluation and diagnosis, homemaker services and respite care, among others.

- During 1995 there were 13,938 FCS cases opened in Missouri.
- From 1991 through 1995, forty-eight percent (48%) of all FCS case openings were the result of a probable cause investigative conclusion.

## ***Prevention/Treatment Services***



\* Other includes Family Requests Preventive Services, Court Order and Newborn Crisis Assessment.

**Family Preservation Services (FPS):** FPS are intensive in-home services designed to prevent unnecessary out-of-home placement of children. An in-home specialist provides a variety of services to the entire family to address the crisis that would normally necessitate out-of-home care for a child. Services are delivered immediately at the time of crisis and are time-limited, usually four to six weeks. In-home specialists carry small caseloads of two to three families. This enables them to spend as much time with the family as needed. The emphasis of FPS is on strengthening the entire family by improving its problem-solving capabilities and teaching them necessary life skills. Among other services, families may receive family therapy, individual and marital counseling, parenting education, child development training, household maintenance and nutritional training, job readiness training and referrals to other community resources. Families authorized for FPS may have children who have been abused or neglected, have committed a status offense, have displayed delinquent behavior, or who are seriously emotionally disturbed and are at imminent risk of being removed from the home. This service is voluntary and at least one caretaker must be willing to participate.

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## ***Prevention/Treatment Services***

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**Out-of-Home Placement:** Out-of-home care is provided in situations where a parent or parents are incapable of providing a child or children with adequate social, emotional and physical care. Out-of-home is defined as care provided in licensed foster or approved relative family homes, in licensed residential facilities, or in licensed foster group homes. The service provides substitute settings for children. Children are placed only after it is determined that they cannot remain at home.

**Prevention of Abuse and Neglect through Dental Awareness (P.A.N.D.A.):** The P.A.N.D.A. Coalition is a statewide private/public partnership formed in April 1992 in response to the need to involve the dental community in the reporting and prevention of child abuse/neglect. The objective of the Coalition is to educate dental professionals on the ease and importance of identifying and reporting child abuse/neglect. Members of the Coalition include Delta Dental of Missouri (a dental insurance company), Missouri Dental Association, Missouri Dental Hygienists' Association, Missouri Department of Health/Bureau of Dental Health, Missouri Department of Social Services/DFS and University of Missouri-Kansas City School of Dentistry.

**Crisis Nurseries:** The first state-funded crisis nurseries began providing services to children and their families in May 1993. There are nine of these facilities. Crisis nurseries are child care facilities which protect children by providing a safe environment at a time when the chances of abuse/neglect in the home are increased. Parents voluntarily request and arrange this service directly with the crisis nursery.

**Child Abuse/Neglect Review Board:** Division of Family Services' social workers reach a conclusion on each child abuse/neglect investigation and notify the parents and alleged perpetrator (if different than the parents) by letter of the conclusion. In some investigations where the conclusion is probable cause, the alleged perpetrator may disagree with the finding. The alleged perpetrator may appeal to the Child Abuse/Neglect Review Board for review of the investigation by contacting the local DFS office within 60 days of the notification of the finding. If there are pending criminal charges, the request may be made 60 days from the court's final disposition or dismissal of charges. If convicted, there is no appeal.

The Child Abuse/Neglect Review Board consists of two boards of nine private citizens appointed by the Governor. These boards each meet once per month to review Child Abuse/Neglect appeals. They listen to testimony from DFS staff, the alleged perpetrator, and representatives of the child and then make a decision to uphold or reverse the original DFS decision. During 1995, the Review Board heard 185 cases. The percentage of cases upheld by the Board was 62%.

Following the Child Abuse and Neglect Review Board's disposition, the alleged perpetrator will have 60 days to request a judicial review.

**Background Screening and Investigation Unit:** The Background Screening and Investigation Unit conducts background checks through the Child Abuse/Neglect systems in DFS. These checks are run on prospective foster and adoptive parents for DFS and for current or prospective employees in the child care industry (day care, residential care providers, schools, etc.). The purpose of the unit is to provide information to a prospective employer so the employer can assess if the person is appropriate to care for children. During 1995, the unit processed 66,555 background checks.

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**Appendix A.**

**1995 Reported Incidents by Area, County and Conclusion**

AREA	COUNTY	PROBABLE CAUSE		UNSUB.-PSI		UNSUB.		FID		OTHER		TOTAL
		Number	%	Number	%	Number	%	Number	%	Number	%	
AREA 1	ANDREW	8	8.8	11	12.1	70	76.9	0	0.0	2	2.2	91
	ATCHISON	6	10.9	3	5.5	41	74.5	0	0.0	5	9.1	55
	BUCHANAN	176	15.9	37	3.3	779	70.3	0	0.0	116	10.5	1,108
	CALDWELL	18	20.5	13	14.8	52	59.1	0	0.0	5	5.7	88
	CARROLL	21	18.1	16	13.8	78	67.2	0	0.0	1	0.9	116
	CASS	167	26.5	34	5.4	393	62.3	0	0.0	37	5.9	631
	CHARITON	4	8.9	1	2.2	33	73.3	0	0.0	7	15.6	45
	CLAY	277	22.8	105	8.6	742	61.0	0	0.0	92	7.6	1,216
	CLINTON	45	25.6	25	14.2	98	55.7	0	0.0	8	4.5	176
	COOPER	28	20.6	14	10.3	87	64.0	0	0.0	7	5.1	136
	DAVIESS	19	24.4	10	12.8	43	55.1	0	0.0	6	7.7	78
	DE KALB	5	10.4	14	29.2	28	58.3	0	0.0	1	2.1	48
	GENTRY	12	33.3	2	5.6	21	58.3	0	0.0	1	2.8	36
	GRUNDY	24	14.5	26	15.7	107	64.5	0	0.0	9	5.4	166
	HARRISON	20	25.0	9	11.3	47	58.8	0	0.0	4	5.0	80
	HOLT	12	22.6	9	17.0	31	58.5	0	0.0	1	1.9	53
	HOWARD	14	20.6	6	8.8	44	64.7	0	0.0	4	5.9	68
	JOHNSON	74	18.5	51	12.7	263	65.6	0	0.0	13	3.2	401
	LAFAYETTE	69	22.3	74	23.9	160	51.6	0	0.0	7	2.3	310
	LINN	15	14.4	10	9.6	76	73.1	0	0.0	3	2.9	104
	LIVINGSTON	42	29.0	13	9.0	87	60.0	0	0.0	3	2.1	145
	MERCER	8	17.8	12	26.7	23	51.1	0	0.0	2	4.4	45
	NODAWAY	16	10.7	26	17.4	104	69.8	0	0.0	3	2.0	149
	PETTIS	83	18.7	32	7.2	307	69.1	0	0.0	22	5.0	444
	PLATTE	91	23.1	20	5.1	266	67.5	0	0.0	17	4.3	394
	PUTNAM	16	40.0	6	15.0	18	45.0	0	0.0	0	0.0	40
	RANDOLPH	63	22.9	12	4.4	181	65.8	0	0.0	19	6.9	275
	RAY	63	29.6	13	6.1	116	54.5	0	0.0	21	9.9	213
	SALINE	57	17.8	44	13.8	178	55.6	0	0.0	41	12.8	320
	SULLIVAN	10	23.8	4	9.5	25	59.5	0	0.0	3	7.1	42
	WORTH	0	0.0	3	20.0	11	73.3	0	0.0	1	6.7	15
	AREA OFFICE	1	9.1	3	27.3	6	54.5	0	0.0	1	9.1	11
	* AREA TOTAL *	1,464	20.6	658	9.3	4,515	63.6	0	0.0	462	6.5	7,099
AREA 2	ADAIR	41	21.6	45	23.7	81	42.6	0	0.0	23	12.1	190
	AUDRAIN	43	18.9	36	15.8	137	60.1	0	0.0	12	5.3	228
	BOONE	148	13.6	37	3.4	456	41.9	319	29.3	129	11.8	1,089
	CALLAWAY	34	9.6	12	3.4	166	47.0	129	36.5	12	3.4	353
	CLARK	17	21.2	9	11.3	53	66.3	0	0.0	1	1.2	80
	COLE	117	20.2	29	5.0	407	70.3	0	0.0	26	4.5	579
	FRANKLIN	145	15.5	86	9.2	656	70.2	0	0.0	48	5.1	935
	GASCONADE	23	19.2	17	14.2	62	51.7	0	0.0	18	15.0	120
	JEFFERSON	233	13.1	87	4.9	466	26.2	786	44.3	204	11.5	1,776
	KNOX	11	21.6	10	19.6	25	49.0	0	0.0	5	9.8	51
	LEWIS	19	17.9	16	15.1	49	46.2	0	0.0	22	20.8	106
	LINCOLN	77	21.4	45	12.5	188	52.2	0	0.0	50	13.9	360
	MACON	20	20.0	26	26.0	52	52.0	0	0.0	2	2.0	100
	MARION	86	23.7	51	14.0	210	57.9	0	0.0	16	4.4	363
	MONROE	10	13.2	34	44.7	29	38.2	0	0.0	3	3.9	76
	MONTGOMERY	49	35.8	19	13.9	60	43.8	0	0.0	9	6.6	137
	OSAGE	14	26.4	5	9.4	33	62.3	0	0.0	1	1.9	53
	PIKE	31	20.3	20	13.1	102	66.7	0	0.0	0	0.0	153
	RALLS	13	19.1	8	11.8	46	67.6	0	0.0	1	1.5	68
	ST CHARLES	226	13.2	78	4.5	631	36.7	689	40.1	94	5.5	1,718
	SCHUYLER	8	20.5	5	12.8	26	66.7	0	0.0	0	0.0	39
	SCOTLAND	7	21.2	10	30.3	15	45.5	0	0.0	1	3.0	33
	SHELBY	10	18.5	12	22.2	31	57.4	0	0.0	1	1.9	54
	WARREN	60	28.6	14	6.7	107	51.0	0	0.0	29	13.8	210
	AREA OFFICE	0	0.0	2	25.0	5	62.5	0	0.0	1	12.5	8
	* AREA TOTAL *	1,442	16.2	713	8.0	4,093	46.1	1,923	21.7	708	8.0	8,879
AREA 3	BOLLINGER	19	26.4	9	12.5	42	58.3	0	0.0	2	2.8	72
	BUTLER	100	19.4	53	10.3	343	66.5	0	0.0	20	3.9	516
	CAPE GIRARDEAU	86	18.9	42	9.2	294	64.5	0	0.0	34	7.5	456
	CARTER	11	14.7	15	20.0	46	61.3	0	0.0	3	4.0	75
	CRAWFORD	38	14.6	49	18.8	160	61.5	0	0.0	13	5.0	260
	DENT	27	13.9	24	12.4	136	70.1	0	0.0	7	3.6	194
	DUNKLIN	168	30.5	73	13.2	289	52.5	0	0.0	21	3.8	551
	HOWELL	84	22.5	42	11.2	237	63.4	0	0.0	11	2.9	374
	IRON	10	7.7	41	31.5	74	56.9	0	0.0	5	3.8	130
	MADISON	30	20.0	23	15.3	93	62.0	0	0.0	4	2.7	150
	MISSISSIPPI	41	28.3	24	16.6	77	53.1	0	0.0	3	2.1	145
	NEW MADRID	69	22.6	37	12.1	194	63.6	0	0.0	5	1.6	305
	OREGON	21	21.4	32	32.7	37	37.8	0	0.0	8	8.2	98

**Appendix A. (continued)**

**1995 Reported Incidents by Area, County and Conclusion**

AREA	COUNTY	PROBABLE CAUSE		UNSUB.-PSI		UNSUB.		FID		OTHER		TOTAL
		Number	%	Number	%	Number	%	Number	%	Number	%	
	PEMISCOT	153	32.0	43	9.0	274	57.3	0	0.0	8	1.7	478
	PERRY	11	9.5	10	8.6	89	76.7	0	0.0	6	5.2	116
	REYNOLDS	16	16.7	16	16.7	61	63.5	0	0.0	3	3.1	96
	RIPLEY	33	17.8	18	9.7	128	69.2	0	0.0	6	3.2	185
	ST FRANCOIS	177	22.8	85	10.9	461	59.3	0	0.0	54	6.9	777
	STE GENEVIEVE	37	25.2	24	16.3	83	56.5	0	0.0	3	2.0	147
	SCOTT	83	17.2	57	11.8	325	67.4	0	0.0	17	3.5	482
	SHANNON	12	22.2	7	13.0	35	64.8	0	0.0	0	0.0	54
	STODDARD	54	22.0	53	21.6	131	53.5	0	0.0	7	2.9	245
	WASHINGTON	37	13.2	15	5.3	72	25.6	151	53.7	6	2.1	281
	WAYNE	18	13.4	49	36.6	60	44.8	0	0.0	7	5.2	134
	AREA OFFICE	2	22.2	2	22.2	5	55.6	0	0.0	0	0.0	9
	* AREA TOTAL *	1,337	21.1	843	13.3	3,746	59.2	151	2.4	253	4.0	6,330
AREA 4	BARRY	28	7.8	5	1.4	286	79.2	0	0.0	42	11.6	361
	BARTON	24	19.8	3	2.5	25	20.7	66	54.5	3	2.5	121
	BATES	39	20.7	22	11.7	123	65.4	0	0.0	4	2.1	188
	BENTON	23	18.0	8	6.3	91	71.1	0	0.0	6	4.7	128
	CAMDEN	61	23.1	43	16.3	145	54.9	0	0.0	15	5.7	264
	CEDAR	27	22.1	8	6.6	38	31.1	48	39.3	1	0.8	122
	CHRISTIAN	73	23.2	36	11.5	185	58.9	0	0.0	20	6.4	314
	DADE	9	15.3	0	0.0	19	32.2	31	52.5	0	0.0	59
	DALLAS	24	18.3	13	9.9	69	52.7	0	0.0	25	19.1	131
	DOUGLAS	29	32.2	6	6.7	53	58.9	0	0.0	2	2.2	90
	GREENE	620	25.3	303	12.4	1,335	54.4	0	0.0	194	7.9	2,452
	HENRY	79	29.5	14	5.2	151	56.3	0	0.0	24	9.0	268
	HICKORY	22	28.6	10	13.0	42	54.5	0	0.0	3	3.9	77
	JASPER	184	14.0	34	2.6	382	29.1	451	34.4	260	19.8	1,311
	LACLEDE	102	29.9	40	11.7	172	50.4	0	0.0	27	7.9	341
	LAWRENCE	68	20.4	32	9.6	193	58.0	0	0.0	40	12.0	333
	MCDONALD	56	25.0	7	3.1	148	66.1	0	0.0	13	5.8	224
	MARIES	11	21.6	0	0.0	18	35.3	14	27.5	8	15.7	51
	MILLER	76	24.8	27	8.8	180	58.8	0	0.0	23	7.5	306
	MONITEAU	10	14.1	5	7.0	53	74.6	0	0.0	3	4.2	71
	MORGAN	40	25.0	9	5.6	91	56.9	0	0.0	20	12.5	160
	NEWTON	110	24.4	32	7.1	102	22.7	174	38.7	32	7.1	450
	OZARK	13	14.1	3	3.3	70	76.1	0	0.0	6	6.5	92
	PHELPS	71	19.0	13	3.5	131	35.1	130	34.9	28	7.5	373
	POLK	46	17.5	21	8.0	179	68.1	0	0.0	17	6.5	263
	PULASKI	110	22.1	18	3.6	213	42.8	95	19.1	62	12.4	498
	ST CLAIR	20	22.0	9	9.9	61	67.0	0	0.0	1	1.1	91
	STONE	36	18.6	21	10.8	126	64.9	0	0.0	11	5.7	194
	TANEY	95	27.3	33	9.5	190	54.6	0	0.0	30	8.6	348
	TEXAS	46	17.3	15	5.6	83	31.2	83	31.2	39	14.7	266
	VERNON	104	35.0	20	6.7	162	54.5	0	0.0	11	3.7	297
	WEBSTER	57	21.1	14	5.2	182	67.4	0	0.0	17	6.3	270
	WRIGHT	66	31.0	15	7.0	125	58.7	0	0.0	7	3.3	213
	AREA OFFICE	0	0.0	0	0.0	5	55.6	0	0.0	4	44.4	9
	* AREA TOTAL *	2,379	22.2	839	7.8	5,428	50.6	1,092	10.2	998	9.3	10,736
AREA 5	JACKSON	1,902	25.2	552	7.3	4,227	56.1	0	0.0	859	11.4	7,540
	AREA OFFICE	2	25.0	2	25.0	3	37.5	0	0.0	1	12.5	8
	* AREA TOTAL *	1,904	25.2	554	7.3	4,230	56.0	0	0.0	860	11.4	7,548
AREA 6	ST LOUIS CITY	1,347	24.0	260	4.6	3,081	55.0	401	7.2	517	9.2	5,606
	AREA OFFICE	4	33.3	2	16.7	5	41.7	0	0.0	1	8.3	12
	* AREA TOTAL *	1,351	24.0	262	4.7	3,086	54.9	401	7.1	518	9.2	5,618
AREA 7	ST LOUIS COUNTY	915	18.5	447	9.0	2,913	58.9	144	2.9	524	10.6	4,943
	AREA OFFICE	6	30.0	4	20.0	7	35.0	0	0.0	3	15.0	20
	* AREA TOTAL *	921	18.6	451	9.1	2,920	58.8	144	2.9	527	10.6	4,963
OTHER	OUT HOME INV.	229	13.7	5	0.3	1,391	83.5	0	0.0	41	2.5	1,666
	COURT INVEST.	0	0.0	0	0.0	1	100.0	0	0.0	0	0.0	1
	OUT OF STATE	0	0.0	0	0.0	0	0.0	0	0.0	124	100.0	124
	* AREA TOTAL *	229	12.8	5	0.3	1,392	77.7	0	0.0	165	9.2	1,791
STATE TOTAL		11,027	20.8	4,325	8.2	29,410	55.5	3,711	7.0	4,491	8.5	52,964

Conclusions are as follows:

Probable Cause - Court Adjudicated and Probable Cause

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Unsub. - Unsubstantiated

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Other - Unable to Locate, Inappropriate Report, Located Out of State and Home Schooling

**Appendix B.**  
**1995 Reported Children by Area, County and Conclusion**

AREA	COUNTY	PROBABLE CAUSE	UNSUB.-PSI	UNSUB.	FID	OTHER	TOTAL	CHILDREN PER THOUSAND	
								PROBABLE CAUSE	TOTAL REPORTED
AREA 1	ANDREW	10	17	115	0	3	145	2.53	36.64
	ATCHISON	9	5	59	0	5	78	5.34	46.32
	BUCHANAN	295	55	1,299	0	187	1,836	13.58	84.51
	CALDWELL	25	20	87	0	5	137	11.50	63.02
	CARROLL	34	20	133	0	1	188	12.00	66.36
	CASS	245	58	584	0	47	934	13.26	50.56
	CHARITON	4	1	55	0	11	71	1.67	29.62
	CLAY	400	141	1,149	0	133	1,823	10.11	46.09
	CLINTON	67	41	162	0	11	281	14.54	60.97
	COOPER	43	21	132	0	13	209	11.90	57.83
	DAVIESS	27	17	80	0	8	132	12.69	62.03
	DE KALB	7	21	40	0	1	69	3.32	32.69
	GENTRY	23	3	31	0	1	58	13.87	34.98
	GRUNDY	33	51	179	0	9	272	13.13	108.19
	HARRISON	39	11	80	0	9	139	20.22	72.06
	HOLT	14	13	56	0	2	85	9.01	54.73
	HOWARD	19	9	71	0	4	103	8.00	43.39
	JOHNSON	115	77	384	0	14	590	11.08	56.85
	LAFAYETTE	105	102	245	0	10	462	12.80	56.31
	LINN	26	13	122	0	4	165	7.40	46.97
	LIVINGSTON	58	14	130	0	5	207	15.63	55.77
	MERCER	16	16	38	0	4	74	18.96	87.68
	NODAWAY	28	34	171	0	4	237	5.77	48.84
	PETTIS	122	50	520	0	42	734	13.21	79.46
	PLATTE	112	26	356	0	21	515	7.37	33.89
	PUTNAM	21	13	24	0	0	58	18.36	50.70
	RANDOLPH	117	14	266	0	29	426	18.97	69.05
	RAY	108	16	166	0	27	317	17.19	50.45
	SALINE	82	55	285	0	56	478	13.91	81.09
	SULLIVAN	15	4	40	0	3	62	10.97	45.35
	WORTH	0	4	19	0	1	24	0.00	42.03
	AREA OFFICE	1	4	12	0	1	18	0.00	0.00
	* AREA TOTAL *	2,220	946	7,090	0	671	10,927	11.52	56.72
AREA 2	ADAIR	65	67	134	0	28	294	13.18	59.63
	AUDRAIN	59	52	219	0	20	350	9.45	56.04
	BOONE	192	54	675	511	189	1,621	7.56	63.86
	CALLAWAY	42	18	231	190	26	507	4.88	58.89
	CLARK	25	18	93	0	2	138	12.24	67.55
	COLE	195	33	616	0	34	878	12.28	55.29
	FRANKLIN	184	129	1,053	0	61	1,427	7.97	61.84
	GASCONADE	33	25	102	0	24	184	9.34	52.07
	JEFFERSON	347	112	676	1,229	313	2,677	6.81	52.51
	KNOX	16	16	40	0	6	78	14.69	71.63
	LEWIS	38	27	80	0	41	186	15.79	77.27
	LINCOLN	123	81	302	0	79	585	14.17	67.38
	MACON	22	38	93	0	3	156	5.74	40.68
	MARION	113	74	310	0	22	519	15.12	69.43
	MONROE	14	49	46	0	4	113	5.55	44.77
	MONTGOMERY	75	28	97	0	11	211	24.87	69.96
	OSAGE	18	5	47	0	1	71	5.35	21.09
	PIKE	53	32	164	0	0	249	12.08	56.75
	RALLS	18	13	85	0	1	117	8.00	52.00
	ST CHARLES	350	94	945	1,050	122	2,561	5.48	40.07
	SCHUYLER	9	5	39	0	0	53	8.57	50.48
	SCOTLAND	11	15	24	0	2	52	9.01	42.59
	SHELBY	11	14	48	0	1	74	6.13	41.23
	WARREN	94	29	167	0	36	326	16.93	58.71
	AREA OFFICE	0	2	6	0	1	9	0.00	0.00
	* AREA TOTAL *	2,107	1,030	6,292	2,980	1,027	13,436	8.32	53.05
AREA 3	BOLLINGER	36	10	66	0	2	114	13.02	41.23
	BUTLER	160	86	547	0	30	823	15.87	81.61
	CAPE GIRARDEAU	124	67	475	0	47	713	8.44	48.53
	CARTER	22	32	89	0	3	146	14.23	94.44
	CRAWFORD	54	67	253	0	19	393	10.55	76.79
	DENT	42	31	225	0	10	308	11.58	84.94
	DUNKLIN	291	141	478	0	22	932	33.24	106.47
	HOWELL	147	86	429	0	20	682	17.82	82.70
	IRON	16	69	126	0	6	217	5.63	76.33
	MADISON	49	32	163	0	6	250	17.27	88.09
	MISSISSIPPI	75	39	129	0	4	247	17.80	58.63
	NEW MADRID	134	65	337	0	6	542	21.92	88.65
	OREGON	32	60	57	0	13	162	14.12	71.49

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AREA	COUNTY	PROBABLE CAUSE	UNSUB.-PSI	UNSUB.	FID	OTHER	TOTAL	CHILDREN PER THOUSAND	
								PROBABLE CAUSE	TOTAL REPORTED
	PEMISCOT	275	83	523	0	17	898	40.66	132.76
	PERRY	17	15	129	0	12	173	3.65	37.10
	REYNOLDS	36	27	108	0	4	175	20.62	100.23
	RIPLEY	49	28	202	0	6	285	14.81	86.15
	ST FRANCOIS	267	122	716	0	74	1,179	21.49	94.89
	STE GENEVIEVE	63	35	116	0	5	219	14.13	49.13
	SCOTT	137	77	525	0	25	764	12.19	68.00
	SHANNON	16	11	55	0	0	82	7.91	40.51
	STODDARD	79	83	210	0	10	382	10.69	51.70
	WASHINGTON	53	24	120	277	9	483	8.74	79.64
	WAYNE	25	94	104	0	10	233	9.07	84.57
	AREA OFFICE	2	3	9	0	0	14	0.00	0.00
	* AREA TOTAL *	2,201	1,387	6,191	277	360	10,416	16.19	76.62
AREA 4	BARRY	37	8	484	0	64	593	5.32	85.30
	BARTON	39	6	27	109	3	184	13.10	61.79
	BATES	59	45	207	0	9	320	15.01	81.38
	BENTON	35	18	134	0	6	193	11.81	65.14
	CAMDEN	99	61	244	0	21	425	16.42	70.48
	CEDAR	38	13	54	88	1	194	13.50	68.92
	CHRISTIAN	101	53	329	0	26	509	10.73	54.09
	DADE	15	0	34	53	0	102	7.93	53.94
	DALLAS	33	21	104	0	41	199	9.68	58.39
	DOUGLAS	51	12	93	0	2	158	16.09	49.86
	GREENE	948	475	2,110	0	276	3,809	19.83	79.66
	HENRY	143	23	232	0	33	431	29.06	87.58
	HICKORY	40	13	73	0	4	130	28.39	92.26
	JASPER	267	49	643	724	412	2,095	11.54	90.58
	LACLEDE	165	51	268	0	40	524	22.31	70.84
	LAWRENCE	97	50	323	0	52	522	12.00	64.57
	MCDONALD	102	11	221	0	18	352	21.69	74.86
	MARIES	26	0	41	21	15	103	12.58	49.85
	MILLER	115	47	293	0	29	484	19.83	83.45
	MONITEAU	16	5	95	0	3	119	4.74	35.29
	MORGAN	56	13	153	0	46	268	15.56	74.47
	NEWTON	175	46	147	284	54	706	14.76	59.54
	OZARK	21	3	109	0	7	140	10.52	70.14
	PHELPS	105	17	217	236	38	613	12.33	71.98
	POLK	71	28	290	0	28	417	13.21	77.61
	PULASKI	170	20	332	177	83	782	14.46	66.50
	ST CLAIR	36	17	106	0	1	160	18.51	82.26
	STONE	52	28	220	0	11	311	12.75	76.23
	TANEY	143	46	340	0	50	579	27.19	110.10
	TEXAS	62	18	136	142	58	416	10.78	72.31
	VERNON	152	35	275	0	13	475	30.52	95.38
	WEBSTER	71	18	314	0	30	433	10.53	64.21
	WRIGHT	113	28	226	0	9	376	23.87	79.44
	AREA OFFICE	0	0	5	0	6	11	0.00	0.00
	* AREA TOTAL *	3,653	1,278	8,879	1,834	1,489	17,133	15.96	74.87
AREA 5	JACKSON	3,287	884	7,796	0	1,271	13,238	20.44	82.31
	AREA OFFICE	2	3	3	0	2	10	0.00	0.00
	* AREA TOTAL *	3,289	887	7,799	0	1,273	13,248	20.45	82.37
AREA 6	ST LOUIS CITY	2,291	460	6,303	860	875	10,789	22.89	107.78
	AREA OFFICE	9	2	9	0	1	21	0.00	0.00
	* AREA TOTAL *	2,300	462	6,312	860	876	10,810	22.98	107.99
AREA 7	ST LOUIS COUNTY	1,343	655	4,414	215	742	7,369	5.51	30.22
	AREA OFFICE	6	4	8	0	3	21	0.00	0.00
	* AREA TOTAL *	1,349	659	4,422	215	745	7,390	5.53	30.31
OTHER	OUT HOME INV.	365	9	1,996	0	73	2,443	0.00	0.00
	COURT INVEST.	0	0	1	0	0	1	0.00	0.00
	OUT OF STATE	0	0	0	0	137	137	0.00	0.00
	* AREA TOTAL *	365	9	1,997	0	210	2,581	0.00	0.00
STATE TOTAL		17,484	6,658	48,982	6,166	6,651	85,941	13.29	65.33

Conclusions are as follows:

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Population data is based on the 1990 Census: Summary File 3, July 1992. Missouri population through age 17. U.S. Department of Commerce, Bureau of the Census.

**Appendix C.**

**1995 Probable Cause Incidents by Area, County and Category of Abuse/Neglect**

AREA	COUNTY	PHYSICAL ABUSE		NEGLECT		EMOTIONAL MALTREATMENT	
		Number	%	Number	%	Number	%
AREA 1	ANDREW	1	12.5	1	12.5	0	0.0
	ATCHISON	1	16.7	4	66.7	0	0.0
	BUCHANAN	51	29.0	105	59.7	0	0.0
	CALDWELL	2	11.1	7	38.9	0	0.0
	CARROLL	8	38.1	8	38.1	0	0.0
	CASS	43	25.7	71	42.5	3	1.8
	CHARITON	1	25.0	0	0.0	0	0.0
	CLAY	66	23.8	125	45.1	0	0.0
	CLINTON	14	31.1	21	46.7	0	0.0
	COOPER	10	35.7	8	28.6	1	3.6
	DAVIESS	3	15.8	11	57.9	2	10.5
	DE KALB	1	20.0	3	60.0	0	0.0
	GENTRY	1	8.3	9	75.0	0	0.0
	GRUNDY	5	20.8	10	41.7	0	0.0
	HARRISON	4	20.0	12	60.0	0	0.0
	HOLT	4	33.3	2	16.7	0	0.0
	HOWARD	4	28.6	6	42.9	0	0.0
	JOHNSON	14	18.9	23	31.1	2	2.7
	LAFAYETTE	15	21.7	29	42.0	1	1.5
	LINN	5	33.3	6	40.0	1	6.7
	LIVINGSTON	12	28.6	23	54.8	0	0.0
	MERCER	1	12.5	3	37.5	1	12.5
	NODAWAY	6	37.5	7	43.8	0	0.0
	PETTIS	12	14.5	40	48.2	5	6.0
	PLATTE	32	35.2	43	47.3	0	0.0
	PUTNAM	5	31.3	4	25.0	0	0.0
	RANDOLPH	16	25.4	39	61.9	1	1.6
	RAY	21	33.3	32	50.8	0	0.0
	SALINE	22	38.6	15	26.3	1	1.8
	SULLIVAN	4	40.0	6	60.0	0	0.0
	AREA OFFICE	1	100.0	0	0.0	0	0.0
	* AREA TOTAL *	385	26.3	673	46.0	18	1.2
AREA 2	ADAIR	11	26.8	20	48.8	2	4.9
	AUDRAIN	11	25.6	15	34.9	10	23.3
	BOONE	33	22.3	49	33.1	5	3.4
	CALLAWAY	8	23.5	7	20.6	0	0.0
	CLARK	6	35.3	6	35.3	1	5.9
	COLE	17	14.5	52	44.4	7	6.0
	FRANKLIN	45	31.0	43	29.7	5	3.5
	GASCONADE	13	56.5	11	47.8	5	21.7
	JEFFERSON	61	26.2	96	41.2	13	5.6
	KNOX	3	27.3	8	72.7	1	9.1
	LEWIS	4	21.1	9	47.4	1	5.3
	LINCOLN	14	18.2	32	41.6	2	2.6
	MACON	4	20.0	7	35.0	2	10.0
	MARION	29	33.7	33	38.4	1	1.2
	MONROE	3	30.0	4	40.0	0	0.0
	MONTGOMERY	11	22.4	16	32.7	0	0.0
	OSAGE	1	7.1	7	50.0	1	7.1
	PIKE	10	32.3	14	45.2	0	0.0
	RALLS	3	23.1	6	46.2	0	0.0
	ST CHARLES	51	22.6	81	35.8	2	0.9
	SCHUYLER	2	25.0	1	12.5	1	12.5
	SCOTLAND	1	14.3	4	57.1	3	42.9
	SHELBY	4	40.0	2	20.0	0	0.0
	WARREN	18	30.0	23	38.3	0	0.0
	* AREA TOTAL *	363	25.2	546	37.9	62	4.3
AREA 3	BOLLINGER	3	15.8	11	57.9	1	5.3
	BUTLER	11	11.0	59	59.0	3	3.0
	CAPE GIRARDEAU	15	17.4	37	43.0	3	3.5
	CARTER	1	9.1	4	36.4	0	0.0
	CRAWFORD	6	15.8	12	31.6	0	0.0
	DENT	4	14.8	15	55.6	0	0.0
	DUNKLIN	28	16.7	86	51.2	8	4.8
	HOWELL	14	16.7	38	45.2	3	3.6
	IRON	4	40.0	1	10.0	0	0.0
	MADISON	4	13.3	20	66.7	0	0.0
	MISSISSIPPI	6	14.6	27	65.9	3	7.3
	NEW MADRID	13	18.8	35	50.7	1	1.5
	OREGON	6	28.6	7	33.3	0	0.0

**Appendix C. (continued)**

**1995 Probable Cause Incidents by Area, County and Category of Abuse/Neglect**

AREA	COUNTY	MEDICAL NEGLECT		EDUCATIONAL NEGLECT		SEXUAL MALTREATMENT		TOTAL PROBABLE CAUSE INCIDENTS
		Number	%	Number	%	Number	%	
AREA 1	ANDREW	1	12.5	1	12.5	4	50.0	8
	ATCHISON	0	0.0	1	16.7	0	0.0	6
	BUCHANAN	6	3.4	8	4.6	26	14.8	176
	CALDWELL	0	0.0	4	22.2	5	27.8	18
	CARROLL	0	0.0	7	33.3	2	9.5	21
	CASS	7	4.2	10	6.0	43	25.7	167
	CHARITON	0	0.0	0	0.0	3	75.0	4
	CLAY	5	1.8	26	9.4	60	21.7	277
	CLINTON	1	2.2	5	11.1	7	15.6	45
	COOPER	1	3.6	5	17.9	6	21.4	28
	DAVIESS	2	10.5	1	5.3	6	31.6	19
	DE KALB	1	20.0	0	0.0	0	0.0	5
	GENTRY	0	0.0	0	0.0	2	16.7	12
	GRUNDY	2	8.3	2	8.3	11	45.8	24
	HARRISON	1	5.0	4	20.0	5	25.0	20
	HOLT	1	8.3	0	0.0	5	41.7	12
	HOWARD	0	0.0	2	14.3	3	21.4	14
	JOHNSON	4	5.4	8	10.8	26	35.1	74
	LAFAYETTE	2	2.9	13	18.8	16	23.2	69
	LINN	1	6.7	0	0.0	2	13.3	15
	LIVINGSTON	1	2.4	3	7.1	5	11.9	42
	MERCER	0	0.0	1	12.5	3	37.5	8
	NODAWAY	0	0.0	1	6.3	2	12.5	16
	PETTIS	3	3.6	8	9.6	24	28.9	83
	PLATTE	0	0.0	11	12.1	9	9.9	91
	PUTNAM	0	0.0	2	12.5	5	31.3	16
	RANDOLPH	5	7.9	0	0.0	15	23.8	63
	RAY	5	7.9	5	7.9	11	17.5	63
	SALINE	1	1.8	8	14.0	12	21.1	57
	SULLIVAN	1	10.0	0	0.0	0	0.0	10
	AREA OFFICE	0	0.0	0	0.0	0	0.0	1
	* AREA TOTAL *	51	3.5	136	9.3	318	21.7	1,464
AREA 2	ADAIR	1	2.4	1	2.4	9	22.0	41
	AUDRAIN	1	2.3	2	4.7	9	20.9	43
	BOONE	2	1.4	18	12.2	49	33.1	148
	CALLAWAY	0	0.0	5	14.7	15	44.1	34
	CLARK	2	11.8	0	0.0	4	23.5	17
	COLE	5	4.3	24	20.5	27	23.1	117
	FRANKLIN	2	1.4	14	9.7	44	30.3	145
	GASCONADE	0	0.0	2	8.7	3	13.0	23
	JEFFERSON	10	4.3	23	9.9	65	27.9	233
	KNOX	0	0.0	1	9.1	3	27.3	11
	LEWIS	0	0.0	2	10.5	3	15.8	19
	LINCOLN	5	6.5	8	10.4	23	29.9	77
	MACON	2	10.0	0	0.0	7	35.0	20
	MARION	2	2.3	9	10.5	15	17.4	86
	MONROE	1	10.0	0	0.0	2	20.0	10
	MONTGOMERY	6	12.2	8	16.3	12	24.5	49
	OSAGE	0	0.0	3	21.4	5	35.7	14
	PIKE	2	6.5	1	3.2	7	22.6	31
	RALLS	0	0.0	1	7.7	3	23.1	13
	ST CHARLES	11	4.9	36	15.9	59	26.1	226
	SCHUYLER	1	12.5	1	12.5	2	25.0	8
	SCOTLAND	0	0.0	0	0.0	1	14.3	7
	SHELBY	0	0.0	1	10.0	3	30.0	10
	WARREN	0	0.0	9	15.0	14	23.3	60
	* AREA TOTAL *	53	3.7	169	11.7	384	26.6	1,442
AREA 3	BOLLINGER	0	0.0	3	15.8	5	26.3	19
	BUTLER	2	2.0	2	2.0	26	26.0	100
	CAPE GIRARDEAU	5	5.8	22	25.6	14	16.3	86
	CARTER	0	0.0	2	18.2	4	36.4	11
	CRAWFORD	1	2.6	9	23.7	10	26.3	38
	DENT	3	11.1	4	14.8	8	29.6	27
	DUNKLIN	9	5.4	30	17.9	41	24.4	168
	HOWELL	3	3.6	9	10.7	28	33.3	84
	IRON	0	0.0	2	20.0	3	30.0	10
	MADISON	2	6.7	2	6.7	4	13.3	30
	MISSISSIPPI	2	4.9	3	7.3	5	12.2	41
	NEW MADRID	1	1.5	9	13.0	11	15.9	69
	OREGON	4	19.0	1	4.8	7	33.3	21

Percent is the percentage of total probable cause incidents. Percent total is greater than 100 because a probable cause incident may be assigned up to six categories of abuse/neglect.

**Appendix C. (continued)**

**1995 Probable Cause Incidents by Area, County and Category of Abuse/Neglect**

AREA	COUNTY	PHYSICAL ABUSE		NEGLECT		EMOTIONAL MALTREATMENT	
		Number	%	Number	%	Number	%
AREA 3	PEMISCOT	29	19.0	62	40.5	3	2.0
	PERRY	1	9.1	2	18.2	0	0.0
	REYNOLDS	1	6.3	10	62.5	0	0.0
	RIPLEY	9	27.3	11	33.3	1	3.0
	ST FRANCOIS	30	16.9	81	45.8	5	2.8
	STE GENEVIEVE	7	18.9	21	56.8	0	0.0
	SCOTT	11	13.3	43	51.8	0	0.0
	SHANNON	4	33.3	3	25.0	1	8.3
	STODDARD	4	7.4	21	38.9	1	1.9
	WASHINGTON	5	13.5	17	45.9	0	0.0
	WAYNE	2	11.1	2	11.1	0	0.0
	AREA OFFICE	0	0.0	1	50.0	0	0.0
	* AREA TOTAL *	218	16.3	626	46.8	33	2.5
AREA 4	BARRY	12	42.9	7	25.0	1	3.6
	BARTON	5	20.8	11	45.8	1	4.2
	BATES	7	17.9	14	35.9	4	10.3
	BENTON	6	26.1	13	56.5	0	0.0
	CAMDEN	8	13.1	30	49.2	6	9.8
	CEDAR	8	29.6	12	44.4	1	3.7
	CHRISTIAN	21	28.8	31	42.5	5	6.9
	DADE	3	33.3	2	22.2	0	0.0
	DALLAS	10	41.7	12	50.0	0	0.0
	DOUGLAS	10	34.5	13	44.8	0	0.0
	GREENE	130	21.0	369	59.5	7	1.1
	HENRY	14	17.7	47	59.5	3	3.8
	HICKORY	4	18.2	11	50.0	1	4.6
	JASPER	50	27.2	69	37.5	1	0.5
	LACLEDE	20	19.6	55	53.9	2	2.0
	LAWRENCE	25	36.8	32	47.1	5	7.4
	MCDONALD	7	12.5	35	62.5	1	1.8
	MARIES	1	9.1	6	54.5	1	9.1
	MILLER	18	23.7	30	39.5	3	4.0
	MONITEAU	4	40.0	4	40.0	1	10.0
	MORGAN	16	40.0	12	30.0	2	5.0
	NEWTON	27	24.5	50	45.5	3	2.7
	OZARK	2	15.4	9	69.2	0	0.0
	PHELPS	14	19.7	26	36.6	2	2.8
	POLK	8	17.4	21	45.7	3	6.5
	PULASKI	30	27.3	44	40.0	3	2.7
	ST CLAIR	6	30.0	10	50.0	0	0.0
	STONE	10	27.8	15	41.7	1	2.8
	TANEY	11	11.6	47	49.5	2	2.1
	TEXAS	12	26.1	18	39.1	1	2.2
	VERNON	34	32.7	42	40.4	1	1.0
	WEBSTER	16	28.1	20	35.1	1	1.8
	WRIGHT	11	16.7	31	47.0	1	1.5
	* AREA TOTAL *	560	23.5	1,148	48.3	63	2.7
AREA 5	JACKSON	529	27.8	808	42.5	29	1.5
	AREA OFFICE	0	0.0	1	50.0	0	0.0
	* AREA TOTAL *	529	27.8	809	42.5	29	1.5
AREA 6	ST LOUIS CITY	325	24.1	588	43.7	13	1.0
	AREA OFFICE	0	0.0	3	75.0	0	0.0
	* AREA TOTAL *	325	24.1	591	43.7	13	1.0
AREA 7	ST LOUIS COUNTY	308	33.7	373	40.8	3	0.3
	AREA OFFICE	3	50.0	3	50.0	0	0.0
	* AREA TOTAL *	311	33.8	376	40.8	3	0.3
OTHER	OUT HOME INV.	99	43.2	75	32.8	6	2.6
	* AREA TOTAL *	99	43.2	75	32.8	6	2.6
STATE TOTAL		2,790	25.3	4,844	43.9	227	2.1

**Appendix C. (continued)**

**1995 Probable Cause Incidents by Area, County and Category of Abuse/Neglect**

AREA	COUNTY	MEDICAL NEGLECT		EDUCATIONAL NEGLECT		SEXUAL MALTREATMENT		TOTAL PROBABLE CAUSE INCIDENTS
		Number	%	Number	%	Number	%	
AREA 3	PEMISCOT	22	14.4	37	24.2	20	13.1	153
	PERRY	0	0.0	1	9.1	7	63.6	11
	REYNOLDS	0	0.0	4	25.0	6	37.5	16
	RIPLEY	0	0.0	1	3.0	14	42.4	33
	ST FRANCOIS	7	4.0	30	16.9	45	25.4	177
	STE GENEVIEVE	1	2.7	5	13.5	5	13.5	37
	SCOTT	8	9.6	14	16.9	15	18.1	83
	SHANNON	0	0.0	3	25.0	2	16.7	12
	STODDARD	3	5.6	13	24.1	19	35.2	54
	WASHINGTON	6	16.2	4	10.8	8	21.6	37
	WAYNE	1	5.6	5	27.8	8	44.4	18
	AREA OFFICE	0	0.0	1	50.0	0	0.0	2
	* AREA TOTAL *	80	6.0	216	16.2	315	23.6	1,337
AREA 4	BARRY	2	7.1	0	0.0	7	25.0	28
	BARTON	0	0.0	0	0.0	12	50.0	24
	BATES	1	2.6	5	12.8	10	25.6	39
	BENTON	0	0.0	1	4.4	4	17.4	23
	CAMDEN	0	0.0	16	26.2	10	16.4	61
	CEDAR	3	11.1	1	3.7	6	22.2	27
	CHRISTIAN	2	2.7	6	8.2	11	15.1	73
	DADE	0	0.0	1	11.1	3	33.3	9
	DALLAS	0	0.0	2	8.3	6	25.0	24
	DOUGLAS	0	0.0	1	3.5	6	20.7	29
	GREENE	16	2.6	36	5.8	109	17.6	620
	HENRY	1	1.3	9	11.4	8	10.1	79
	HICKORY	0	0.0	0	0.0	9	40.9	22
	JASPER	4	2.2	10	5.4	65	35.3	184
	LACLEDE	6	5.9	13	12.7	20	19.6	102
	LAWRENCE	2	2.9	1	1.5	17	25.0	68
	MCDONALD	1	1.8	4	7.1	9	16.1	56
	MARIES	0	0.0	4	36.4	0	0.0	11
	MILLER	3	4.0	16	21.1	15	19.7	76
	MONITEAU	0	0.0	0	0.0	2	20.0	10
	MORGAN	3	7.5	3	7.5	16	40.0	40
	NEWTON	2	1.8	8	7.3	36	32.7	110
	OZARK	0	0.0	0	0.0	3	23.1	13
	PHELPS	2	2.8	7	9.9	25	35.2	71
	POLK	1	2.2	5	10.9	14	30.4	46
	PULASKI	8	7.3	4	3.6	30	27.3	110
	ST CLAIR	0	0.0	0	0.0	6	30.0	20
	STONE	2	5.6	4	11.1	11	30.6	36
	TANEY	4	4.2	21	22.1	13	13.7	95
	TEXAS	2	4.4	0	0.0	17	37.0	46
	VERNON	0	0.0	12	11.5	23	22.1	104
	WEBSTER	4	7.0	6	10.5	16	28.1	57
	WRIGHT	4	6.1	10	15.2	13	19.7	66
	* AREA TOTAL *	73	3.1	206	8.7	552	23.2	2,379
AREA 5	JACKSON	61	3.2	309	16.2	387	20.3	1,902
	AREA OFFICE	0	0.0	0	0.0	1	50.0	2
	* AREA TOTAL *	61	3.2	309	16.2	388	20.4	1,904
AREA 6	ST LOUIS CITY	124	9.2	240	17.8	193	14.3	1,347
	AREA OFFICE	0	0.0	0	0.0	1	25.0	4
	* AREA TOTAL *	124	9.2	240	17.8	194	14.4	1,351
AREA 7	ST LOUIS COUNTY	26	2.8	153	16.7	121	13.2	915
	AREA OFFICE	0	0.0	0	0.0	0	0.0	6
	* AREA TOTAL *	26	2.8	153	16.6	121	13.1	921
OTHER	OUT HOME INV.	6	2.6	1	0.4	57	24.9	229
	* AREA TOTAL *	6	2.6	1	0.4	57	24.9	229
STATE TOTAL		474	4.3	1,430	13.0	2,329	21.1	11,027

Percent is the percentage of total probable cause incidents. Percent total is greater than 100 because a probable cause incident may be assigned up to six categories of abuse/neglect.

**Appendix D.**

**1995 Probable Cause Children by Area, County and Category of Abuse/Neglect**

AREA	COUNTY	PHYSICAL ABUSE		NEGLECT		EMOTIONAL MALTREATMENT	
		Number	%	Number	%	Number	%
AREA 1	ANDREW	1	10.0	2	20.0	0	0.0
	ATCHISON	1	11.1	7	77.8	0	0.0
	BUCHANAN	61	20.7	204	69.2	0	0.0
	CALDWELL	3	12.0	13	52.0	0	0.0
	CARROLL	8	23.5	20	58.8	0	0.0
	CASS	47	19.2	132	53.9	3	1.2
	CHARITON	1	25.0	0	0.0	0	0.0
	CLAY	76	19.0	215	53.8	0	0.0
	CLINTON	20	29.9	41	61.2	0	0.0
	COOPER	16	37.2	15	34.9	1	2.3
	DAVIESS	7	25.9	15	55.6	6	22.2
	DE KALB	1	14.3	5	71.4	0	0.0
	GENTRY	1	4.4	20	87.0	0	0.0
	GRUNDY	5	15.2	18	54.5	0	0.0
	HARRISON	5	12.8	27	69.2	0	0.0
	HOLT	5	35.7	2	14.3	0	0.0
	HOWARD	4	21.1	9	47.4	0	0.0
	JOHNSON	15	13.0	48	41.7	6	5.2
	LAFAYETTE	17	16.2	58	55.2	1	1.0
	LINN	5	19.2	14	53.8	2	7.7
	LIVINGSTON	12	20.7	36	62.1	0	0.0
	MERCER	1	6.3	7	43.8	1	6.3
	NODAWAY	7	25.0	16	57.1	0	0.0
	PETTIS	15	12.3	69	56.6	5	4.1
	PLATTE	33	29.5	62	55.4	0	0.0
	PUTNAM	5	23.8	8	38.1	0	0.0
	RANDOLPH	25	21.4	85	72.6	1	0.9
	RAY	27	25.0	73	67.6	0	0.0
	SALINE	26	31.7	30	36.6	1	1.2
	SULLIVAN	5	33.3	10	66.7	0	0.0
	AREA OFFICE	1	100.0	0	0.0	0	0.0
	* AREA TOTAL *	456	20.5	1,261	56.8	27	1.2
AREA 2	ADAIR	13	20.0	36	55.4	4	6.2
	AUDRAIN	11	18.6	28	47.5	12	20.3
	BOONE	38	19.8	78	40.6	6	3.1
	CALLAWAY	10	23.8	9	21.4	0	0.0
	CLARK	8	32.0	12	48.0	1	4.0
	COLE	27	13.8	103	52.8	14	7.2
	FRANKLIN	52	28.3	68	37.0	8	4.4
	GASCONADE	16	48.5	17	51.5	9	27.3
	JEFFERSON	70	20.2	175	50.4	20	5.8
	KNOX	4	25.0	12	75.0	1	6.3
	LEWIS	4	10.5	27	71.1	1	2.6
	LINCOLN	20	16.3	60	48.8	5	4.1
	MACON	4	18.2	8	36.4	2	9.1
	MARION	32	28.3	53	46.9	1	0.9
	MONROE	3	21.4	8	57.1	0	0.0
	MONTGOMERY	13	17.3	33	44.0	0	0.0
	OSAGE	3	16.7	9	50.0	1	5.6
	PIKE	13	24.5	33	62.3	0	0.0
	RALLS	3	16.7	10	55.6	0	0.0
	ST CHARLES	59	16.9	187	53.4	2	0.6
	SCHUYLER	2	22.2	2	22.2	1	11.1
	SCOTLAND	1	9.1	6	54.5	7	63.6
	SHELBY	4	36.4	3	27.3	0	0.0
	WARREN	20	21.3	53	56.4	0	0.0
	* AREA TOTAL *	430	20.4	1,030	48.9	95	4.5
AREA 3	BOLLINGER	4	11.1	26	72.2	2	5.6
	BUTLER	11	6.9	117	73.1	4	2.5
	CAPE GIRARDEAU	15	12.1	73	58.9	3	2.4
	CARTER	1	4.6	12	54.5	0	0.0
	CRAWFORD	8	14.8	24	44.4	0	0.0
	DENT	5	11.9	28	66.7	0	0.0
	DUNKLIN	36	12.4	182	62.5	14	4.8
	HOWELL	23	15.6	81	55.1	3	2.0
	IRON	8	50.0	2	12.5	0	0.0
	MADISON	5	10.2	38	77.6	0	0.0
	MISSISSIPPI	8	10.7	52	69.3	6	8.0
	NEW MADRID	15	11.2	90	67.2	1	0.8
	OREGON	6	18.8	16	50.0	0	0.0

**Appendix D. (continued)**

**1995 Probable Cause Children by Area, County and Category of Abuse/Neglect**

AREA	COUNTY	MEDICAL NEGLECT		EDUCATIONAL NEGLECT		SEXUAL MALTREATMENT		TOTAL PROBABLE CAUSE CHILDREN
		Number	%	Number	%	Number	%	
AREA 1	ANDREW	1	10.0	1	10.0	5	50.0	10
	ATCHISON	0	0.0	1	11.1	0	0.0	9
	BUCHANAN	8	2.7	12	4.1	33	11.2	295
	CALDWELL	0	0.0	4	16.0	5	20.0	25
	CARROLL	0	0.0	8	23.5	3	8.8	34
	CASS	9	3.7	13	5.3	53	21.6	245
	CHARITON	0	0.0	0	0.0	3	75.0	4
	CLAY	5	1.3	38	9.5	68	17.0	400
	CLINTON	1	1.5	7	10.4	7	10.4	67
	COOPER	1	2.3	6	14.0	7	16.3	43
	DAVIESS	2	7.4	1	3.7	7	25.9	27
	DE KALB	1	14.3	0	0.0	0	0.0	7
	GENTRY	0	0.0	0	0.0	2	8.7	23
	GRUNDY	2	6.1	2	6.1	13	39.4	33
	HARRISON	2	5.1	8	20.5	6	15.4	39
	HOLT	1	7.1	0	0.0	6	42.9	14
	HOWARD	0	0.0	3	15.8	4	21.1	19
	JOHNSON	4	3.5	9	7.8	36	31.3	115
	LAFAYETTE	2	1.9	15	14.3	19	18.1	105
	LINN	3	11.5	0	0.0	2	7.7	26
	LIVINGSTON	1	1.7	6	10.3	5	8.6	58
	MERCER	0	0.0	3	18.8	5	31.3	16
	NODAWAY	0	0.0	1	3.6	4	14.3	28
	PETTIS	3	2.5	12	9.8	28	23.0	122
	PLATTE	0	0.0	12	10.7	10	8.9	112
	PUTNAM	0	0.0	2	9.5	6	28.6	21
	RANDOLPH	5	4.3	0	0.0	21	17.9	117
	RAY	7	6.5	9	8.3	13	12.0	108
	SALINE	1	1.2	15	18.3	13	15.9	82
	SULLIVAN	1	6.7	0	0.0	0	0.0	15
	AREA OFFICE	0	0.0	0	0.0	0	0.0	1
	* AREA TOTAL *	60	2.7	188	8.5	384	17.3	2,220
AREA 2	ADAIR	1	1.5	1	1.5	13	20.0	65
	AUDRAIN	1	1.7	2	3.4	9	15.3	59
	BOONE	4	2.1	22	11.5	52	27.1	192
	CALLAWAY	0	0.0	8	19.0	16	38.1	42
	CLARK	2	8.0	0	0.0	4	16.0	25
	COLE	12	6.2	37	19.0	32	16.4	195
	FRANKLIN	2	1.1	19	10.3	46	25.0	184
	GASCONADE	0	0.0	2	6.1	3	9.1	33
	JEFFERSON	13	3.8	39	11.2	73	21.0	347
	KNOX	0	0.0	1	6.3	3	18.8	16
	LEWIS	0	0.0	2	5.3	4	10.5	38
	LINCOLN	6	4.9	14	11.4	29	23.6	123
	MACON	2	9.1	0	0.0	8	36.4	22
	MARION	2	1.8	11	9.7	17	15.0	113
	MONROE	1	7.1	0	0.0	2	14.3	14
	MONTGOMERY	7	9.3	10	13.3	14	18.7	75
	OSAGE	0	0.0	3	16.7	5	27.8	18
	PIKE	2	3.8	1	1.9	9	17.0	53
	RALLS	0	0.0	2	11.1	3	16.7	18
	ST CHARLES	12	3.4	44	12.6	67	19.1	350
	SCHUYLER	1	11.1	1	11.1	2	22.2	9
	SCOTLAND	0	0.0	0	0.0	1	9.1	11
	SHELBY	0	0.0	1	9.1	3	27.3	11
	WARREN	0	0.0	10	10.6	16	17.0	94
	* AREA TOTAL *	68	3.2	230	10.9	431	20.5	2,107
AREA 3	BOLLINGER	0	0.0	5	13.9	6	16.7	36
	BUTLER	2	1.3	2	1.3	28	17.5	160
	CAPE GIRARDEAU	5	4.0	24	19.4	17	13.7	124
	CARTER	0	0.0	3	13.6	6	27.3	22
	CRAWFORD	3	5.6	10	18.5	10	18.5	54
	DENT	3	7.1	8	19.0	10	23.8	42
	DUNKLIN	10	3.4	39	13.4	51	17.5	291
	HOWELL	4	2.7	12	8.2	35	23.8	147
	IRON	0	0.0	3	18.8	3	18.8	16
	MADISON	2	4.1	3	6.1	5	10.2	49
	MISSISSIPPI	2	2.7	5	6.7	6	8.0	75
	NEW MADRID	1	0.8	15	11.2	13	9.7	134
	OREGON	4	12.5	1	3.1	9	28.1	32

Percent is the percentage of total probable cause children. Percent total is greater than 100 because a child may be found probable cause for up to four categories of abuse/neglect.

**Appendix D. (continued)**

**1995 Probable Cause Children by Area, County and Category of Abuse/Neglect**

AREA	COUNTY	PHYSICAL ABUSE		NEGLECT		EMOTIONAL MALTREATMENT	
		Number	%	Number	%	Number	%
AREA 3	PEMISCOT	44	16.0	140	50.9	4	1.5
	PERRY	1	5.9	6	35.3	0	0.0
	REYNOLDS	1	2.8	29	80.6	0	0.0
	RIPLEY	12	24.5	22	44.9	1	2.0
	ST FRANCOIS	41	15.4	152	56.9	5	1.9
	STE GENEVIEVE	9	14.3	45	71.4	0	0.0
	SCOTT	11	8.0	85	62.0	0	0.0
	SHANNON	4	25.0	6	37.5	1	6.3
	STODDARD	5	6.3	40	50.6	2	2.5
	WASHINGTON	5	9.4	31	58.5	0	0.0
	WAYNE	2	8.0	3	12.0	0	0.0
	AREA OFFICE	0	0.0	1	50.0	0	0.0
	* AREA TOTAL *	280	12.7	1,301	59.1	46	2.1
AREA 4	BARRY	12	32.4	11	29.7	2	5.4
	BARTON	7	17.9	21	53.8	1	2.6
	BATES	7	11.9	24	40.7	4	6.8
	BENTON	7	20.0	24	68.6	0	0.0
	CAMDEN	19	19.2	56	56.6	11	11.1
	CEDAR	11	28.9	20	52.6	2	5.3
	CHRISTIAN	23	22.8	52	51.5	10	9.9
	DADE	4	26.7	5	33.3	0	0.0
	DALLAS	13	39.4	20	60.6	0	0.0
	DOUGLAS	15	29.4	27	52.9	0	0.0
	GREENE	160	16.9	629	66.4	13	1.4
	HENRY	18	12.6	101	70.6	6	4.2
	HICKORY	5	12.5	27	67.5	1	2.5
	JASPER	59	22.1	124	46.4	1	0.4
	LACLEDE	24	14.5	109	66.1	4	2.4
	LAWRENCE	35	36.1	51	52.6	9	9.3
	MCDONALD	11	10.8	78	76.5	1	1.0
	MARIES	3	11.5	12	46.2	2	7.7
	MILLER	22	19.1	62	53.9	4	3.5
	MONITEAU	4	25.0	10	62.5	1	6.3
	MORGAN	17	30.4	21	37.5	6	10.7
	NEWTON	38	21.7	94	53.7	5	2.9
	OZARK	3	14.3	16	76.2	0	0.0
	PHELPS	14	13.3	50	47.6	3	2.9
	POLK	8	11.3	43	60.6	5	7.0
	PULASKI	33	19.4	92	54.1	4	2.4
	ST CLAIR	7	19.4	25	69.4	0	0.0
	STONE	12	23.1	27	51.9	1	1.9
	TANEY	11	7.7	86	60.1	2	1.4
	TEXAS	14	22.6	29	46.8	2	3.2
	VERNON	45	29.6	75	49.3	1	0.7
	WEBSTER	20	28.2	27	38.0	1	1.4
	WRIGHT	11	9.7	75	66.4	1	0.9
	* AREA TOTAL *	692	18.9	2,123	58.1	103	2.8
AREA 5	JACKSON	659	20.0	1,766	53.7	56	1.7
	AREA OFFICE	0	0.0	1	50.0	0	0.0
	* AREA TOTAL *	659	20.0	1,767	53.7	56	1.7
AREA 6	ST LOUIS CITY	384	16.8	1,336	58.3	22	1.0
	AREA OFFICE	0	0.0	8	88.9	0	0.0
	* AREA TOTAL *	384	16.7	1,344	58.4	22	1.0
AREA 7	ST LOUIS COUNTY	350	26.1	693	51.6	4	0.3
	AREA OFFICE	3	50.0	3	50.0	0	0.0
	* AREA TOTAL *	353	26.2	696	51.6	4	0.3
OTHER	OUT HOME INV.	122	33.4	168	46.0	7	1.9
	* AREA TOTAL *	122	33.4	168	46.0	7	1.9
STATE TOTAL		3,376	19.3	9,690	55.4	360	2.1

**Appendix D. (continued)**

**1995 Probable Cause Children by Area, County and Category of Abuse/Neglect**

AREA	COUNTY	MEDICAL NEGLECT Number	MEDICAL NEGLECT %	EDUCATIONAL NEGLECT Number	EDUCATIONAL NEGLECT %	SEXUAL MALTREATMENT Number	SEXUAL MALTREATMENT %	TOTAL PROBABLE CAUSE CHILDREN
AREA 3	PEMISCOT	27	9.8	58	21.1	32	11.6	275
	PERRY	0	0.0	1	5.9	9	52.9	17
	REYNOLDS	0	0.0	9	25.0	6	16.7	36
	RIPLEY	0	0.0	2	4.1	17	34.7	49
	ST FRANCOIS	9	3.4	38	14.2	53	19.9	267
	STE GENEVIEVE	1	1.6	9	14.3	5	7.9	63
	SCOTT	10	7.3	22	16.1	16	11.7	137
	SHANNON	0	0.0	7	43.8	2	12.5	16
	STODDARD	3	3.8	13	16.5	25	31.6	79
	WASHINGTON	8	15.1	4	7.6	8	15.1	53
	WAYNE	1	4.0	9	36.0	10	40.0	25
	AREA OFFICE	0	0.0	1	50.0	0	0.0	2
	* AREA TOTAL *	95	4.3	303	13.8	382	17.4	2,201
AREA 4	BARRY	6	16.2	0	0.0	7	18.9	37
	BARTON	0	0.0	0	0.0	17	43.6	39
	BATES	1	1.7	12	20.3	13	22.0	59
	BENTON	0	0.0	1	2.9	4	11.4	35
	CAMDEN	0	0.0	23	23.2	12	12.1	99
	CEDAR	3	7.9	2	5.3	6	15.8	38
	CHRISTIAN	2	2.0	9	8.9	12	11.9	101
	DADE	0	0.0	1	6.7	5	33.3	15
	DALLAS	0	0.0	2	6.1	6	18.2	33
	DOUGLAS	0	0.0	5	9.8	6	11.8	51
	GREENE	21	2.2	56	5.9	131	13.8	948
	HENRY	1	0.7	13	9.1	9	6.3	143
	HICKORY	0	0.0	0	0.0	12	30.0	40
	JASPER	6	2.3	18	6.7	77	28.8	267
	LACLEDE	10	6.1	23	13.9	22	13.3	165
	LAWRENCE	2	2.1	6	6.2	19	19.6	97
	MCDONALD	1	1.0	4	3.9	9	8.8	102
	MARIES	0	0.0	9	34.6	0	0.0	26
	MILLER	3	2.6	21	18.3	16	13.9	115
	MONITEAU	0	0.0	0	0.0	2	12.5	16
	MORGAN	6	10.7	4	7.1	23	41.1	56
	NEWTON	3	1.7	11	6.3	50	28.6	175
	OZARK	0	0.0	0	0.0	3	14.3	21
	PHELPS	3	2.9	13	12.4	28	26.7	105
	POLK	1	1.4	7	9.9	15	21.1	71
	PULASKI	11	6.5	5	2.9	38	22.4	170
	ST CLAIR	0	0.0	0	0.0	6	16.7	36
	STONE	3	5.8	5	9.6	13	25.0	52
	TANEY	4	2.8	26	18.2	16	11.2	143
	TEXAS	2	3.2	0	0.0	19	30.6	62
	VERNON	0	0.0	17	11.2	29	19.1	152
	WEBSTER	4	5.6	7	9.9	17	23.9	71
	WRIGHT	4	3.5	14	12.4	13	11.5	113
	* AREA TOTAL *	97	2.7	314	8.6	655	17.9	3,653
AREA 5	JACKSON	79	2.4	556	16.9	481	14.6	3,287
	AREA OFFICE	0	0.0	0	0.0	1	50.0	2
	* AREA TOTAL *	79	2.4	556	16.9	482	14.7	3,289
AREA 6	ST LOUIS CITY	144	6.3	381	16.6	235	10.3	2,291
	AREA OFFICE	0	0.0	0	0.0	1	11.1	9
	* AREA TOTAL *	144	6.3	381	16.6	236	10.3	2,300
AREA 7	ST LOUIS COUNTY	32	2.4	208	15.5	137	10.2	1,343
	AREA OFFICE	0	0.0	0	0.0	0	0.0	6
	* AREA TOTAL *	32	2.4	208	15.4	137	10.2	1,349
OTHER	OUT HOME INV.	6	1.6	1	0.3	81	22.2	365
	* AREA TOTAL *	6	1.6	1	0.3	81	22.2	365
	STATE TOTAL	581	3.3	2,181	12.5	2,788	15.9	17,484

Percent is the percentage of total probable cause children. Percent total is greater than 100 because a child may be found probable cause for up to four categories of abuse/neglect.